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OF THE

Synod of New Jersey

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MINUTES
OF THE
Seventy-sixth Annual Session
OF THE
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The Synod of New Jersey met in Asbury Park, in the First Church, on Tuesday, October 18th, 1898, at 3 o'clock P. M.

After devotional services the sermon opening Synod was delivered by the Moderator, Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., from Ephesians v : 27.

The following announcement was made by the Moderator in explanation of the change of place of meeting of Synod :

The Synod, at its last meeting, adjourned to meet in Pater-
son. Soon after the adjournment it appeared that it would not
be convenient for the Synod to meet in that place. Upon the
request of the Stated Clerks of three-fourths of the Presby-
teries, the Stated Clerk, therefore, selected another place. The
invitation of the pastor of the First Church of Asbury Park
was cordially given and accepted, and the Synod therefore,
meets here this day.

Change of place.

At the close of the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's
Supper was administered. This service was conducted by
the Vice-Moderator, Rev. William R. Richards, D.D., who
was assisted by Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D. and Rev. J.
Garland Hamner, Jr., and the following Ruling Elders :
Spencer A. Van Derveer, R. C. Haff, David Harvey, Jr.,
Henry H. Mecabe, David R. Hull, George S. Harding,

Charles Rommel, James S. Biddell, J. H. Todd, P. Kennedy Reeves, Elias G. Heller, Cornelius Shepherd, M.D.

The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Vice-Moderator.

Roll.

The roll was called and the following members were found present :

Presbytery of Corisco.

MINISTERS—None.

ELDERS—None.

Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., I. Alstynne Blauvelt, D.D., John A. Liggett, D.D., James G. Mason, D.D., Samuel Parry, Abram I. Martine, Wm. R. Richards, D.D., Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Samuel J. Rowland, John T. Kerr, George Buckle, George F. Greene, Wm. Hoppaugh, Charles E. Herring, Albert E. Wirth, Edgar G. Mason, Harle W. Hathaway, Jacob A. Frey, Charles B. Condit, Newton W. Cadwell (2)—20.

ELDERS—F. Childs, Basking Ridge ; B. E. Young, Clinton ; James A. Burnett, Connecticut Farms ; Edward S. Atwater, Elizabeth, First ; Charles Rommel, Elizabeth, Second ; Spencer A. Van Derveer, Elizabeth, Third ; Cornelius H. Clark, Elizabeth, Westminster ; E. D. Smith, Elizabeth, Greystone ; John W. Bingener, Metuchen ; Wm. H. Shotwell, Plainfield, First ; L. N. Lovell, Plainfield, Crescent Avenue ; James C. Waters, Rahway, First ; James T. Barnes, Rahway, Second ; W. P. Stevenson, Roselle ; H. N. Demorest, Woodbridge ; S. C. Blake (2), Cranford ; James T. Pierson (2), Westfield—7.

Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., Charles D. Shaw, D.D., Philo F. Leavens, D.D., Frank E. Miller, D.D., Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., James S. Young, C. Rudolph Kuebler, Fred'k W. Jackson, Jr., Robert H. Sharpe, Charles A. Evans, Israel W. Hathaway, D.D. (2), Theo. E. Montgomery (2)—12.

ELDERS—R. C. Haff, Hackensack, First ; James S. Biddell, Passaic ; Geo. W. DeWitt, Tenafly—3.

Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS—Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Benj. S. Everitt, D.D., Alex. H. Young, D.D., George Swain, D.D., Charles H. McClellan, D.D., Albert G. Bale, Thomas Tyack, D.D., William N. Ritchie, D.D., Oliver A. Kerr, Charles Everett, D.D. Hugh B. MacCauley, Frank R. Symmes, Wm. P. Finney, Joseph E. Curry, Richard R. Stier (2), J. Edward Grant, Robert G. Davey, Nath. J. Sproul, Joseph L. Ewing, Nathan Dushane Hynson, Robert M. Blackburn, James A. Matheson, Lewis S. Mudge, Frederic Mueller (2), James H. Dunham, Joseph G. Symmes, Samuel D. Price, Benj. D. Wyckoff, Courtland P. Butler (2)—29.

ELDERS—David Harvey, Jr., Asbury Park, First; T. A. Roberts, Asbury Park, Westminster; C. A. Cruser, Atlantic Highlands; A. W. Taylor, M.D., Beverly; George R. Thomas, Cranbury, First; John H. Stults, Cranbury, Second; Wm. J. Campbell, Englishtown; James Magee, Freehold; Jos. S. Davison, Hightstown; Cor. P. Vanderhoef, Jamesburg; Jas. H. Todd, Lakewood; David Harvey, Sr., Oceanic; S. H. Ingraham (2), South Amboy; George W. Stillwell, Tennent; John G. Breese, Shrewsbury—15.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—O. H. Perry Deyo, Albert Erdman, D.D., Edward P. Gardner, Wm. W. Halloway, D.D., Thomas A. Reeves John F. Patterson, Horace G. Sassaman Stanley White, Samuel J. McClenaghan, Chauncey W. Goodrich, Sydney S. Conger, John M. Thomas, William R. Bennett Asa Wynkoop, James F. Riggs, D.D.—15.

ELDERS—Richard H. Allen, Chatham; A. H. Berry, Dover; H. C. Olin (2), East Orange, First; H. F. Pierson, East Orange, Brick; Hugh Lamb, East Orange Arlington Avenue; E. P. Holden, Madison; D. W. Tunis, New Vernon; Henry H. Mecabe, Orange Hillside; Mahlon Hoagland, Sr., Rockaway—9.

Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS—George S. Mott, D.D., Charles E. Knox, D.D., A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., J. Garland Hammer, Jr., James B. Lee (2), John Hutchison, H. C. Vanderbeck, Joseph F. Folsom (2), John A. Higgons, V. LeRoy Lockwood, D.D (2)—10.

ELDERS.—D. E. Gould (2), Newark, Central; Wesley C. Miller, Newark First; Robert S. Grummon, Newark, Third;

T. J. S. Landis (2), Newark, Fifth Ave.; Charles G. Rockwood, Newark, High Street; Elias G. Heller Newark, Forest Hill—6.

Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS—John T. Duffield, D.D. (2), Amzi L. Armstrong, Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., John B. Kugler, Thomas S. Long, William W. Knox, D.D., Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., James W. Van Dyke, Frank B. Everitt, Walter A. Brooks, D.D., James W. Rogan, D.D., George T. Purves, D.D. Titus E. Davis, George H. Ingram, James B. Clark, Samuel H. Potter, D. Ruby Warne (2), William S. Voorhies, William Allen, Jr., Robert I. Gamon, Joseph Howell (2), Benj. H. Everitt, William I. Campbell—23.

ELDERS—Edward B. Holcombe Amwell, Second; J. J. Garretson Bound Brook; Thomas Blackwood, Dutch Neck; Wallace Lanning (2), Ewing; E. I. McGalliard (2), Hamilton Square; A. F. Stout (2), Kingston; Thomas Kay, New Brunswick, First; W. H. Muirhead, Pennington; Henry E. Hale Princeton, First; Augustus Wilson, Trenton, Bethany; Cornelius Shepherd, M.D., Trenton, Third; William M. Lanning Trenton Fourth; George S. Harding, Trenton, Prospect Street—13.

Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS—William Thomson, E. Clark Cline, Henry S. Butler, D.D., John C. Clyde D.D., John C. Chapman Percy Y. Schelly, E. K. Donaldson, Robert A. Bryant, E. J. Reinke, G. H. S. Campbell, D.D. (2)—10.

ELDERS—Samuel Stewart, Hackettstown; David R. Hull, Newton; A. P. Kinney, Stewartsville—3.

Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Allen H. Prown, Henry Reeves, D. D., Frederic R. Brace, D.D., John Ewing, D.D. (2), George L. Smith Benj. P. Johnson (2) George W. Tomson, William J. Bridges, Edward Dillon, Sylvester W. Beach, Joel S. Gilfillan, William H. Fishburn, D.D., George B. Van Dyke, Daniel I. Camp, Albert Reid (2), W. W. Casselberry, Raymond H. Gage—17.

ELDERS—Richard B. Stevenson, Blackwood; P. Kennedy Reeves, Bridgeton, First; Phœbus W. Lyon, Bridgeton, West; R. E. Morgan, Camden, First; Benj. O. Titus (2), Camden, Second—5.

The following were invited to sit as

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. Peter Stryker, D.D., of the Particular Synod (Reformed Church) of Monmouth; Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. Geo J Mingins, D.D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. J. L. Roe, of the New Jersey M. E. Conference; Rev. E. Waters, of the New Jersey M. E. Conference; Rev. G. W. Wight, of the New Jersey M. E. Conference; Rev. John H. Boyd, D.D., of the Synod of Illinois.

The summary is as follows :

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Corisco, . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
Elizabeth,	20	17	37
Jersey City,	12	3	15
Monmouth,	29	16	45
Morris and Orange,	15	9	24
Newark,	10	6	16
New Brunswick,	23	13	36
Newton,	10	3	13
West Jersey,	17	5	22
	136	72	208
Corresponding members,			7
Total attendance,			215

Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, was elected Moderator. Moderator.

The Committee of Arrangements reported and the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted, as follows: Arrangements.

I. That the sessions of Synod begin at 9 A.M. and recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M. and from 5 to 7:45; and that the last half hour of the morning sessions be given to devotional exercises.

II. That the following order for business be adopted: The first order for Wednesday morning, an address on behalf of the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work, by Mr. John H. Scribner, the report of the Committee on Sabbath School Work to be read in this connection; following this the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence; at 10:30 the report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions; Wednesday afternoon to be devoted to an address on behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief, by Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, an address on behalf of the Board of Education, by Rev. Lewis S. Mudge, the

report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance and in connection with it an address by Rev. Israel W. Hathaway, D.D., Secretary of the American Sabbath Union; on Thursday morning an address on behalf of the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies by Rev. John H. Boyd, D.D., of Evanston, Ill.

III. That the evening session of Tuesday be devoted to addresses on Home Missions, by Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D. and on the Freedmen, by Rev. John F. Patterson D.D., the Moderator of Synod presiding, and that the evening session of Wednesday be devoted to addresses on Foreign Missions, by Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D., and Mr. Robert E. Speer.

Patriotic resolutions.

The following resolutions, offered by Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, were adopted :

1. *Resolved*, That the Synod of New Jersey, including within its bounds four hundred and sixty one ministers, three hundred and thirty one churches and sixty-nine thousand two hundred and nineteen members, does on this first day of its seventy-sixth session, hereby congratulate the President of the United States, as the Commander in chief of our army and navy, upon the formal raising this day of "the Star Spangled Banner" upon the soil of Puerto Rico and the consequent enlargement of the domain of liberty.

2. *Resolved*, That we also express to him our earnest wish, consecrated by prayer that he and all those associated with him, Cabinet and Commissions, may be guided by wisdom from above, and may be able speedily to bring about such terms of peace as shall be merciful to Spain and honorable to the United States.

3. *Resolved*, That we express our high appreciation of the loyal spirit and patriotic zeal of New Jersey's sons who offered themselves to the service of their country in this Spanish-American war, and also that we offer our tender sympathy to all those homes which have been made sad by the absence of loved ones or darkened by the shadow of death in response to the demands of war.

4. *Resolved*, That the Moderator and Stated Clerk of Synod be authorized to forward a copy of these resolutions to the President.

Treasurer's report.

The report of the Treasurer was presented and was accepted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Synod took recess until 7:45 o'clock P. M.

TUESDAY. 7:45 P. M.

The Synod re-assembled and engaged in devotional services and listened to addresses by Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., upon Home Missions, and by Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D., on the Freedmen. Addresses.

The Moderator appointed as Vice-Moderator, Rev. William W. Halloway, Jr., D.D., and the following Standing Committees: Vice-Moderator.

I—BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers—William R. Richards, D.D., Charles D. Shaw, D.D., Alexander H. Young, D.D., James W. Van Dyke. Committees.

Elders—Charles G. Rockwood, W. H. Muirhead, Phœbus W. Lyon.

II—JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Ministers—Frederic R. Brace, D.D., I. Alstynne Blauvelt, D.D., Frank E. Miller, D.D., William J. Bridges.

Elders—Hugh Lamb, Edward S. Atwater, Henry E. Hale.

III—MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Ministers—George W. Tomson, Nathan D. Hynson.

Elder—George H. Kirkpatrick.

IV—NARRATIVE FOR 1899.

Ministers—Percy Y Schelly, Robert I. Gamon.

Elder—James T. Barnes.

V—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Ministers—Stanley White, William W. Casselberry.

Elders—Spencer A Van Derveer, David R. Hull.

VI—RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Corisco—Rev. George L. Smith, Rev. Edward K. Donaldson, Elder Edward B. Holcombe.

Elizabeth—Rev. Edward P. Gardner, Rev. Henry C Van Derbeck, Elder George W. Stillwell.

Jersey City—Rev. Samuel Parry, Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, Elder Edward P. Holden.

Monmouth—Rev. Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., Rev. Wm. S. Voorhies, Elder Samuel Stewart.

Morris and Orange—Rev. James S. Young, Rev. Nathaniel J. Sproul, Elder Elias G. Heller.

Newark—Rev. Frank B. Everitt, Rev. John C. Clyde, D.D., Elder P. Kennedy Reeves.

New Brunswick—Rev. Samuel J. Rowland, Rev. John M. Thomas, Elder James S. Biddell.

Newton—Rev. James F. Riggs D.D., Rev. Joseph E. Curry, Elder George S. Harding.

West Jersey—Rev. Robert A. Bryant, Rev. Frederic W. Jackson, Jr., Elder Cornelius H. Clark.

It was made the fifth order of the day for Wednesday afternoon to hear the report of the Committee on Young People's Societies.

After singing, prayer and the benediction, the Synod adjourned until to-morrow at 9.00 o'clock A.M.

WEDNESDAY, October 19th, 9.00 A.M.

The Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business.

Minutes.

The minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read and the record was approved.

Records approved.

The Stated Clerk reported that the records of the last meeting of the Synod had been approved by the General Assembly.

Sundry papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were referred to the appropriate committees.

Treasurer of Trustees.

The report of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod was presented and accepted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Trustees.

The annual report of the Trustees of Synod was read by Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D. It was accepted. In accordance with a recommendation of the report the Stated Clerk was directed to cast the ballot for Mr. Hugh H. Hamill, of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, as a trustee of Synod, to

fill a vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Joseph Alward, and he was elected.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Work Among Foreign Populations was presented by Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D. It was accepted.

Foreign Populations.

The order of the day having arrived, the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath-school Work was presented by Rev. George H. Ingram. The report was accepted and the following recommendations were adopted :

Sabbath-school Work.

First. That the Twentieth Century Movement, which has for its object the gathering in of 500,000 scholars in our Presbyterian schools throughout the country during the next three years be heartily approved again, and our pastors elders and workers be urged to enter upon this crusade with all possible diligence.

Second. That we recommend the observance of Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days for Sabbath-school mission work

Third. In view of the revival of interest in the study of the Westminster Shorter Catechism throughout the church, we recommend church sessions, Sabbath-school superintendents and parents to use renewed effort in the teaching of the Shorter Catechism to the children of the church

Fourth. That we again commend to the attention of the churches of Synod the new Hymnal and the Chapel Hymnal, which, since their publication, have won their way into the favor of many of our churches and bid fair to be the generally accepted books of praise of the Presbyterian Church.

Fifth. That we call the attention of pastors, superintendents and primary and intermediate teachers to the merits of the Summer School of Primary Methods conducted by the New Jersey Sunday-school Association each summer in Asbury Park, believing that this school is an important adjunct in an educational way, especially to those engaged in the younger departments of our schools

Sixth. That the attention of our pastors and Sabbath-school superintendents is specially directed to the seventh resolution of the last Assembly in respect to the presentation of the subject of Sabbath observance to our Sunday-schools in a special manner.

Address.

In connection with this report the Synod listened to an address by Mr. John H. Scribner, the Business Superintendent of the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work.

Systematic
Beneficence.

The Report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence was presented by Rev. Thomas S. Long. The report was accepted and the following recommendations were adopted :

1. We recommend our ministers and elders to renew their acquaintance with the Vith Chapter of our Directory for Worship, and after a careful and devout study of the same to adopt the directions therein given so far as may be practicable in their churches.

2. That all our ministers and so far as possible our elders, carefully examine the report made to the last General Assembly by its Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence with a view to the adoption of any of its suggestions which may seem an improvement on present methods of collecting offerings for our benevolent work.

3. Inasmuch as the Assembly has ordered the suspension of the publications 'The Church at Home and Abroad' and the present "Assembly Herald" at the close of this calendar year, and has arranged for a new church publication in their stead, to be called "The Assembly Herald," to begin January 1st, 1899, we promise our loyalty to the experiment, and request all our ministers and elders to give the effort their sympathy, and use their best endeavors to secure the circulation of the new magazine among their people.

4. Seeing that Corisco, our Presbytery in Africa, and the Presbyteries of Monmouth and New Brunswick succeed, from year to year, in securing an offering from every church for each of our Boards, we commend the movement to the earnest consideration of our other Presbyteries. Let all our ministers, as pastors, stated supplies, or moderators of sessions of vacant churches, by appeal and example, make an earnest effort to reduce the blanks in our benevolent reports to a minimum. Synod's confidence in her ministers' ability and in her people's loyalty gives her assurance of a great advance in this direction.

5. Synod commends to all ministers and elders the adoption of some form of pledge subscription and envelope system as a method of gathering benevolent funds, as worthy of their sincere consideration. Where the method in use is not fully satisfactory, a faithful trial of the envelope plan is recommended.

The report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented by Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D. It was accepted.

Synodical Home
Missions

The report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions was presented and accepted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Treasurer
Synodical Home
Missions.

The recommendations of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions were adopted, as follows :

1. That, having been notified of the resignation of Rev. John Dixon, D.D., as Chairman of this Committee Synod desires to place on record its profound appreciation of the conspicuously useful services of Dr. Dixon to this Committee and, through it to the church and the State ; to congratulate the Board of Home Missions upon securing such a valuable addition to its directing force ; and to bespeak for Dr. Dixon the abundant blessing of God in his new and important position.

2. That, feeling that the present is a fit time to record its convictions upon this subject, Synod would most emphatically reaffirm its former declarations, to wit that in the scheme of Synodical Home Missions as at present conducted, through its various Presbyterial and Synodical Committees, Synod recognizes a wise and efficient instrument for the prosecution of its work and pledges to it its hearty and continued support.

3. That, having discovered that the action of Synod, recorded on page 16 of the Minutes of 1897, to wit, " That hereafter the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund be audited quarterly by Synod's Committee on Synodical Home Missions," was in conflict with the unrepealed clause of Section 6 of Standing Rule No. IX, which provides for the appointment, at each meeting of Synod, of a Finance Committee of " four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders—who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurers of the different funds," your Committee recommend :

I. That the action of the last Synod upon this subject, and recorded upon page 16 of the Minutes of 1897, be repealed.

II. That Section 6, of Standing Rule No. IX, be amended by the addition of the words, " Except the Synodical Home Mission Fund," making the entire clause read :

(6) *On Finance*, four members—two ministers and two Ruling Elders—who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund ; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

III. That a seventh section be added to Standing Rule No. IX, to wit :

(7) *On Synodical Home Mission Accounts.* a Special Finance Committee, two members—one minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions—who shall audit and examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod

4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute, as in former years, upon the basis of church membership, as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for 1898, so that—

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member the sum of, . . .	\$2,774 70
From the Presbytery of Jersey City, at the rate of 25 cents per member, the sum of,	1 800 00
From the Presbytery of Monmouth, at the rate of 22 cents per member the sum of	1,438 80
From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, at the rate of 30 cents per member the sum of . . .	3,018 90
From the Presbytery of Newark, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of,	3 124 71
From the Presbytery of New Brunswick, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of, . . .	2,491 83
From the Presbytery of Newton, at the rate of 20 cents per member, the sum of	1 175 20
From the Presbytery of West Jersey, at the rate of 22 cents per member, the sum of,	1 721 06
Total,	<u>\$17,545 20</u>

5. That apportionments be made as follows :

For administration expenses,	\$150 00
To the Presbytery of Elizabeth	900 00
“ “ “ “ Jersey City,	2,450 00
“ “ “ “ Monmouth,	3 800 00
“ “ “ “ Morris and Orange,	1 700 00
“ “ “ “ Newark,	1,850 00
“ “ “ “ New Brunswick,	1,000 00
“ “ “ “ Newton,	1 200 00
“ “ “ “ West Jersey,	4,000 00
	<u>\$17,050 00</u>

6. That Synod calls the attention of its churches to the superlative importance of having the offering for Synodical Home Missions reach the treasurer of the fund as early in the fiscal year as possible.

7. That in view of the urgent needs of the work, the Presbyterial Committees on Synodical Home Missions be directed to re-canvass immediately the churches of their Presbyteries with a view to securing from them the acceptance of a larger ratio of contribution than heretofore.

The Synod engaged in devotional services, led by the Moderator, and in connection with this service the Necrological report was read by Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, and was accepted. Necrology.

Synod took recess until 2:30 o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P.M.

Synod re-assembled and proceeded to business.

The order of the day was changed and the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by Rev. George Swain, D.D. It was accepted and its recommendations were adopted, as follows : Sabbath
Observance.

1. That we re-affirm our conviction that the law of the Sabbath is a law of perpetual, binding obligation upon all men.

2. That we call upon all members of our churches, members of Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools, together with all friends of God's law, to use their personal influence for a Biblical observance of the day ; that we beseech them to abstain from the purchase and reading of the Sunday newspaper, from all use of the bicycle on the Sabbath for pleasure, from amusements of whatever kind, from unnecessary visiting ; in short, from all things not conducive to holiness of heart and life, and to be faithful to the means of grace and all religious duty on this holy day.

3. That we do most earnestly call upon parents and all heads of families to seek that the home on the sacred day shall be filled with a religious atmosphere ; that whatever tends to worldliness shall be excluded, and such employments and

enjoyments obtain as shall lift the family into correspondence with the "bright things of heaven."

4. That we cordially recognize the very important work of such organizations as the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance, and bespeak for them sympathy, co operation and financial aid, so far as possible, from our churches.

5. That while our pastors are by no means unmindful of their duty as to Sabbath Observance, they be affectionately called upon to put forth at this time unusual effort in behalf of the sacred day, greatly assailed as it is by the enemies of God and of all religion.

6. That the last Sabbath of September or another Sabbath as near that as convenient, be made a day when, in the pulpit, the Sabbath school and the Young People's Societies, so far as possible, Sabbath Observance be made the special subject of discourse, instruction and prayer

7. That these resolutions, and the entire report if convenient, be read by pastors from their pulpits at an early date.

Address.

In connection with this report the Synod listened to an address by Rev. Israel W. Hathaway, D.D., Secretary of the American Sabbath Union.

Ministerial Relief.

Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief.

Special Auditing Committee.

Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., and Elder Jeremiah Baker were appointed a special committee to audit the report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, between October 1st, 1899, and the date of the next meeting of Synod.

Foreign Missions.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D. It was received and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

1. In the present unexampled access to the world field, in the success of our missions, and in the response of so choice an army of youth to the call to enter in and reap, we recognize the Lord's answers to prayer and His loud call to a larger consecration, especially of money for His work.

2. As officers and leaders of God's host, in common with our self-denying laborers abroad and many of our brethren, lately

heathen, we will set an example of liberal giving to missions, and urgently invite the members of our flocks to follow.

3. We offer our hearty coöperation with the Board in its "Forward Movement," and commend its special representative, Mr. Luther D. Wishard, to our churches.

4. We express our heart-felt sympathy with the body of student volunteers, especially with those whose departure for the field is postponed through lack of funds; and we recommend to our churches to make use of these young brethren, when practicable, during their winter recess, for stimulating their young people and for evangelistic work.

5. We remind the churches of the Assembly's recommendations that not less than two annual offerings be made; that each Sabbath-school be asked for a Christmas offering; that stated instruction be given to our youth in the Sabbath schools and the Young People's Societies, to develop interest in missions and systematic giving thereto.

6. Having been permitted to review reports from some of its churches, we send our loving greetings to the Presbytery of Corisco, with assurance of remembrance in our prayers.

7. We have received and read with satisfaction the reports of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, and cordially commend their admirable work.

8. We record with mutual congratulation the election of another of the members of our Synod to serve upon the Board of Foreign Missions.

In connection with this report the Synod listened to addresses by volunteers for Foreign Missions from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Rev. Lewis S. Mudge addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Education. Education.

The Committee on the records of the Presbytery of Elizabeth reported, recommending the approval of the records with an exception, which was referred to the Judicial Committee. Presbyterial
Records.

The records of the Presbyteries of Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey were approved.

The report of the Committee upon the records of the Presbytery of Corisco was adopted, as follows: Corisco.

The Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Corisco recommend the approval of the Minutes and desire to commend not only the fullness and completeness of the records, but also the thoroughness of the work accomplished by the members of the Presbytery, showing that they are not only earnest and enthusiastic workers, but also that they are careful to do what they do in an orderly manner.

The Committee would further recommend that Synod express the pleasure with which they have heard of their faithful and successful work, as manifested by the Minutes of their Presbytery.

Young People's
Societies.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was presented by Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley. It was accepted and its recommendations were adopted, as follows :

1. That we echo the commendation of General Assembly and hereby express our appreciation of the earnest spirit of our Young People's Societies and their many labors, and wish them God-speed in their work.

2. That we call the attention of our young people to the great and increasing needs of the work being done by their own church, and urge them to occupy themselves fully with their proper part of this work.

3. That we request all our Young People's Societies, subject to the advice of their respective Sessions, to take an active part in the support of Synodical Home Missions, and, if possible, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars from each society for this work.

4. That we earnestly counsel all our Sessions to give more attention to their Young People's Societies ; to visit them often in their meetings ; to confer with them about the objects of their benevolence and work ; to provide for their training in Presbyterian doctrine, polity and history ; to warn them affectionately against the deadening effects of worldliness now so prevalent, and in general to promote in them a deep spirituality and a strong character, that they may become worthy to be successors of the godly fathers who are so soon to pass away.

Nassau Hall
Tablet.

A verbal report of the Committee on the Erection of a Historical Tablet at Princeton, was presented by Elder William B. Stevenson. It was accepted and the Committee was continued.

The Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to whom was referred the annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions, presented the following minute, which was adopted :

Woman's Home
Missions.

The Synod receives with increasing pleasure the annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions. It recognizes the great value of the faithful work done by the Society. It congratulates the Society upon the noble results of that work and prays that the divine blessing may be more and more upon it.

The Stated Clerk was directed to forward to this Society one hundred printed copies of its report and a like number of its report to the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions.

Synod took recess until 7:45 o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 7:45 o'clock P. M.

The Synod re-assembled and engaged in devotional services.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Samuel J. McClenaghan, and accepted and approved.

Narrative.

Synod listened to addresses upon Foreign Missions by Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D., and Mr. Robert E. Speer, and, after prayer, a hymn and the benediction, Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Address.

THURSDAY, October 20th, 9.00 A. M.

The Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business, the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Wm. W. Halloway, Jr., D.D., presiding.

The reference of the report of the Committee on the records of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, containing an exception to the records, to the Judicial Committee was

Records,
Presbytery of
Elizabeth.

reconsidered, and the report of the Committee on the records of the Presbytery was adopted, and the records were approved with the following exception :

On page 294 it is recorded that an elder of the church at Dunellen requested to know to whom he should tender his resignation, and by what body that resignation should be acted upon. The Presbytery directed that the resignation should be acted upon by a duly called meeting of the church.

The decision of the General Assembly (Digest 1886, p. 546) is that : "The resignation should be to the Session ; and it will take effect when accepted."

Temperance

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented by Rev. Joseph M. McNulty, D.D. It was accepted and its recommendations were adopted, as follows :

1. That in the absence of laws prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors or a public sentiment to enforce them even if they be enacted, we endeavor to prepare for the same, as well as advance the cause of temperance, by moral suasion in public and private, in the pulpit and out of it, with young and old, male and female.

2. That we heartily unite with all fellow citizens in earnest efforts to enforce the laws restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor, especially those relating to the Sabbath, the hours of night, minors, inebriates and ignorant, semi-civilized or savage peoples.

3. That we hail with delight the introduction of temperance physiology in our public schools, whereby 15,000,000 of children in this land are instructed as to the baneful effect of the abuses of alcoholic beverages upon the system, and especially the information that in this commonwealth of New Jersey the "law is enforced and doing well."

4. That we urge our universities, colleges and other institutions of learning to give prominence to this great social problem in the courses of study which they offer.

5. That we instruct our Presbyterial Committees to gather the facts in regard to the evils of intemperance and the measures used to alleviate them in their several Presbyteries, and to forward these facts to the Synod's Committee.

6. That this Synod has learned with profound grief of the sale of intoxicating liquor in the canteens in the army. We remonstrate against the practice, not only as subversive of the discipline and the health of the troops, but as ruinous to the morals of those young men, freely given by the homes of our country for the defense of our flag ; and we most earnestly

petition the President of the United States to exercise his power, if possible, to close the canteen.

This action shall be communicated to the President by the Stated Clerk of the Synod.

The report of the Committee on Finance was presented and was accepted and its recommendations adopted, as follows :

Finance.

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Monument Fund, the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund; that they have compared the payments with the vouchers, and have found all correct.

The Committee recommend that the apportionments of the Presbyteries be the same as last year, viz. :

Presbytery of Elizabeth,	\$60 00
“ Jersey City,	50 00
“ Monmouth,	45 00
“ Morris and Orange,	60 00
“ Newark,	60 00
“ New Brunswick,	60 00
“ Newton,	45 00
“ West Jersey,	50 00

The report of the Custodians of Historical Material was presented by the Stated Clerk, and was accepted. The following resolution offered by Rev. Allen H. Brown was adopted :

Historical
Material.

Resolved. That the Treasurer of Synod be authorized to pay to the Custodians, for the purchase of valuable historical material which cannot be obtained otherwise a sum not exceeding ten dollars annually.

The report of the Committee on Historical Materials and of a Joint Committee on the erection of a memorial monument in the Old Scots Burial-ground, was read by Rev. Allen H. Brown and was accepted, and in connection therewith the following resolution was adopted :

Monument.

Resolved. That the Joint Committee be continued, and that it be authorized, through its Executive Committee, to proceed to

the erection of the monument whenever the way is perfectly clear.

Minutes of
Assembly.

The report of the Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly was accepted, as follows :

Your Committee on the Minutes of General Assembly would respectfully report that none of the acts and deliverances of the General Assembly have special reference to the Synod of New Jersey, and none seem to be of sufficient importance to occupy the attention of Synod.

The Committees on Bills and Overtures and Judicial Business reported that no business had been placed in their hands.

The Stated Clerk was directed to print the statistical reports without reading.

Next place of
meeting.

The First Church, Asbury Park, was chosen as the place of the next meeting of Synod.

The Treasurer was directed to pay the usual salaries and bills.

The Stated Clerk was directed to purchase a new edition of the Assembly Digest for the use of the Synod.

Thanks.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the Synod of New Jersey hereby expresses its thanks to the pastor and people of the First Presbyterian Church of Asbury Park for the use of their beautiful and commodious church edifice during the sessions of Synod.

Resolved, That we record our appreciation of courtesies received from "The Public Ledger" of Philadelphia, and "The Asbury Park Journal" and "Asbury Park Press," and our thanks to the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work for stationery liberally furnished to the Synod.

Resolved, That we tender a vote of thanks to the organist and choir of this church for their assistance in our devotional exercises, and to all who have in any way contributed to our comfort during our stay in this beautiful "City by the Sea."

The Permanent Clerk reported that 136 ministers, 72 elders and 7 corresponding members had been in attendance, and that the following members, having given satisfactory reasons, had been excused for absence :

FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Elizabeth—Ministers Ezra F. Mundy, Chalmers Martin Wm. E. Honeyman.

Jersey City—Ministers Geo. R. Garretson, Charles Herr, D.D.

Monmouth—Ministers H. W. Haring, Edward B. Hodge D.D., Henry R. Hall, C. F. Taylor.

Morris and Orange—Ministers Wm. H. Woolverton, Geo. S. Mott Doremus.

New Brunswick—Ministers Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Wm. H. Filson John Dixon, D.D., Samuel McLanahan, Daniel R. Foster.

Newark—Ministers David R. Frazer D.D., Edwin Fairley.

Newton—Minister Wm. Hollinshed.

AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

Monmouth—Minister Jos. E. Curry, Elder J. H. Todd.

Newark—Elder Wesley C. Miller.

AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Elder Edward S. Atwater.

Jersey City—Ministers P. F. Leavens, D.D., Jas. S. Young, H. R. McClelland, Ph.D.

Morris and Orange—Elder D. W. Tunis.

New Brunswick—Minister Thos. S. Long.

Newark—Elder Elias G. Heller.

West Jersey—Ministers Geo. W. Tomson, Geo. B. Van Dyke.

AFTER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Elizabeth—Ministers Eben B. Cobb, D D., Jacob A. Frey, Elders Charles Rommel, L. N. Lovell, James A. Barnes S. A. Van Derveer.

Jersey City—Ministers Chas. A. Evans, T. E. Montgomery, Elder G. W. Demott.

Monmouth—Ministers Chas. H. McClellan, D.D., George Swain, D.D., Frederic Mueller, R. R. Stier, Elders W. J. Campbell, C. P. Vanderhoef, C. A. Cruser, S. H. Ingraham, J. H. Stults Jas. Magee, G W Stillwell.

Morris and Orange—Ministers C. W. Goodrich, Asa Wynkoop, Elder H. F. Pierson, H. H. Mecabe.

New Brunswick—Ministers S. M. Studdiford, D.D., Robert I. Gamon, Geo. T. Purves, D D., Elder Augustus Wilson.

Newark—Ministers C. E. Knox, D.D. John Hutchison, J. G. Hamner, Jr., Elders T. J. S. Landis R. S. Grummon.

Newton—Ministers Wm. Thomson, E. J. Reinke, Elders David R. Hull Samuel Stewart.

West Jersey—Minister Albert Reid.

AFTER WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Elizabeth—Elders Jno. W. Bengener, E. D. Smith, J. C. Waters.

Monmouth—Ministers N. J. Sproul, Thos. Tyack, D.D., Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Elder Jos. S. Davison.

Morris and Orange—Ministers Albert Erdman, D.D., Jas. F. Riggs, D.D.

New Brunswick—Ministers Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., Titus E. Davis, Elders J. J. Garretson, Wm. M. Lanning.

Newark—Ministers Jas. F. Folsom, H. C. Vanderbeck.

Newton—Ministers E. Clark Cline, John C. Chapman.

West Jersey—Minister S. W. Beach, Elder R. B. Stevenson.

The roll was called and the following members were found absent without excuse :

Elizabeth—Ministers Geo. F. Greene, Chas. E. Herring, Harle W. Hathaway, Elders S. C. Blake, Jas. T. Pierson.

Jersey City—Ministers F. W. Jackson, Jr., Robert H. Sharpe.

Monmouth—Ministers R. G. Davey, R. M. Blackburn.

Morris and Orange—Minister Sydney S. Conger, Elder H. C. Olin.

Newark—Minister James B. Lee.

New Brunswick—Minister Wm. S. Voorhies, Elder A. F. Stout.

West Jersey—Ministers Benj. P. Johnson, Edward Dillon.

Aid for Colleges.

Rev. John H. Boyd, D.D., of Evanston, Ill., addressed the Synod upon the interests of the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

Minutes.

The minutes of to-day's session were read, and the record was approved.

The Synod adjourned to meet on the third Tuesday of October, 1899, in the First Church, Asbury Park.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

JOHN T. KERR,
Recording Clerk.

WALTER A. BROOKS,
Stated Clerk.

The preceding pages contain a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of the Synod of New Jersey, at its sessions in Asbury Park, October 18th to 20th, 1898.

Attest:- Walter A. Brooks,
Stated Clerk.

Approved as for as
written in Assembly
at Minneapolis, Minn.,
May 26th - 1899 -

Robert J. Sample
Moderator.

APPENDIX.

I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 18TH, 1898.

The Committee on Narrative has received full reports from all our Presbyteries, including most interesting details from our distant sister Presbytery, Corisco

These reports show cause for gratitude to the great Head of the Church, who has during the past year been in the midst of His people and has led them forward in His blessed work.

There is much that is encouraging, little that is discouraging.

That the gospel of Jesus Christ is not losing its power over the people, the following data abundantly prove :

I.—CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES.

The Synod reports 331 churches, with a total membership of 69,219. In all these churches, with rare exceptions, preaching services have been held regularly throughout the year. The attendance upon these services has been gratifying and encouraging, especially the morning services a larger number being present than in the evening. A few churches report larger numbers at the evening service. There seems to be a desire in the majority of our churches for a larger attendance on Sunday evening. The numbers are scarcely half as large as at the morning service. This fact gives food for thought. Either the Sabbath is overcrowded with services, making a too heavy draft upon physical endurance, or Christians generally do not feel the necessity of a second preaching service.

It is noted as an encouraging feature that there is an increasing attendance of children and youth at the morning service.

The Presbytery of Corisco reports that her several churches have been much encouraged by the increased attendance upon the services and the deep interest manifested.

The Presbytery of Morris and Orange reports the organization of two new churches—Vailsburg, having 73 members, and Elmwood, East Orange, having 123 members.

The alarm is everywhere sounded of too much organization ; many churches relying upon organization, rather than upon consecrated effort to further Christ's work.

The mid-week prayer-meetings are interesting and profitable to those who attend, though these are only one fourth of the church membership. The reason of this apparent indifference is traced to the worldly mindedness of Christians; in some instances, to the dullness of the services.

II.—SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

In the Synod there are 421 Sabbath schools with a membership of 76,182. In the majority of these schools the Westminster Lesson Helps are used, and the Shorter Catechism is studied. Very few churches have teachers' meetings, but where such meetings are held, the results have been most gratifying. During the year 1,851 scholars united with the church. Many of our schools are rejoicing in prosperity, teachers being abundant and well qualified for their work, the average attendance of scholars being high, and the interest most marked. Other schools find less cause for encouragement, because of the lack of consecrated workers and of good organization. Looking over the whole Synod, we have abundant reason to rejoice in this useful branch of Christian work.

III.—SOCIETIES.

Our churches are well supplied with societies organized for aggressive Christian work. Their name is legion. One is sometimes inclined to think that aggressiveness in Christ's work is sacrificed to the craze for numerous organizations. In other words, what we gain in organization is lost in effective work. For example, the various young people's societies including Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor, Society of Andrew and Philip, and young men's societies are maintained to the detriment of the weekly prayer meeting. It looks like divided effort. Far better to have fewer meetings, and have greater interest manifested.

The missionary societies maintained by the women are enthusiastic, helpful and are doing much to keep our missionary banner well to the front among the Synods of our large Church. Nearly every church in the Synod has one missionary society. Many churches have two or more, and in this manner old and young are trained in the grace of giving for the extension of Christ's work, at home and abroad. We should be deeply grateful to the women of the Church for their activity, fidelity and generosity in this useful work. They manifest a spirit of consecration which might well be imitated by the sterner sex. Each Presbytery has its Presbyterial Society which holds an annual meeting in the interests of Home and Foreign Missions. In addition an annual Synodical Missionary Society is held, when representatives from Presbyterial Societies present reports of the work being done within their respective bounds.

IV—SPIRITUAL CONDITIONS.

Our churches are not growing in membership with much rapidity, but we have reason to feel that wise and judicious foresight is exercised by Sessions in admitting new members to the Lord's table. There is much diversity of opinion respecting special evangelistic services. Many pastors avoid them as detrimental to the spiritual life of the church. Many are their own evangelists, and bring into the Lord's garner the hand-picked fruit. It is no doubt true that the ordinary means of grace are relied on to impress souls with the great need of salvation.

New Brunswick Presbytery thus reports: "An excellent spirit has prevailed in our churches during the past year—a steady growth being perceptible." Many had large accessions on profession of faith in Christ.

Several of the West Jersey churches enjoyed a season of gracious revival, and have been greatly blessed, the result being a large ingathering of souls.

Morris and Orange Presbytery reports her churches in a prosperous condition, especially the churches of the Oranges and the larger towns. "Our churches are generously sustained. The pastors are well paid, missionary contributions are large, and in musical matters we compete successfully with the wealthiest churches of New York. But there is wanting a deep sense of the infinite value of the human soul, of the gracious nearness of our Father of the absolute necessity of Jesus Christ for the well-being of man."

In the other Presbyteries no special religious interest is manifest, except in a few churches. Dr. Chapman has recently been holding services in Newark, where he preached to large and interested audiences. Many lives have been quickened by the Holy Spirit, many have been aroused to new activity in the Lord's work.

V.—BENEVOLENCE.

It is most gratifying to note that, with few exceptions, our Sessions have been faithful in giving their respective churches the opportunity to contribute to the Benevolent Boards of the church. Wherever and whenever this has been done, the people have promptly responded.

The Presbyteries of Corisco, Monmouth and New Brunswick have every column in our statistical reports full. Newton has very few blanks, and the other Presbyteries make a fine showing. Many churches contribute more to benevolence than to congregational expenses. This is as it should be. The church that loses its life for Christ's sake shall find it. Various plans are in operation for securing benevolent offerings; probably the plan in operation in each church is the best plan for that church. It seems desirable

that there should be more unanimity of plan in securing benevolent offerings, and far better results might reasonably be expected.

It is with pleasure we note the fact that our Sabbath-schools and Christian Endeavor Societies are feeling the obligation to contribute to benevolent work. Systematic beneficence is growing in favor in all our churches. When we look over our Synod and note the large place which our church has in the affections of the membership; when we see the activities of all the churches directed toward building up strong, robust characters, and toward a further extension of Christ's kingdom; when we note the open-handed generosity of New Jersey Presbyterians, we have the faith that Christ is gloriously marching on to victory. Meanwhile the church is waiting for a new baptism of the Holy Spirit. God's people are praying, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done." And when the people of God are fallen to their knees, the blessing is sure.

S. J. McCLENAGHAN.

II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

Only six deaths are reported, the lowest death rate for many years. The Presbyteries of Jersey City, Newark, Newton, West Jersey and Corisco report none; Elizabeth, one; Morris and Orange, two; Monmouth, two; New Brunswick, one.

The following is the list:

I.—Elizabeth.

REV. THOMAS HEYWOOD.

Mr. Heywood died suddenly, September 2d, 1898. His birthplace was Manchester, England; the date of his birth February 24th, 1833.

He had but few educational advantages, and began to earn his own living at the age of ten years. He was employed as clerk in one of the factories of Manchester, and continued a business career for many years. His spare moments were devoted to self-culture and education. In middle life he became a local preacher and helper of Mr. Spurgeon in London. He came to America in 1870 as a temperance lecturer. He applied for ordination to the Congregational Association of Chenango Forks, N. Y., in 1871, was accepted, and became pastor of the church of that place. After three years' service there, he removed to Paterson, N. J., where he took charge of the Auburn Street Congregational Church for one year. In 1876 he assumed charge of the First Congregational Church, Elizabeth, N. J., and remained nine years. From 1886 to 1888 he was pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Wyoming, N. J. His last charge was at Coney Island. On account of failing health he retired from active service several years before his death. But he never ceased from labor as he had ability and opportunity, and often supplied pulpits with acceptance. He was a visitor of the sick and afflicted, and full of good works. He always took an active interest in the religious, moral and secular affairs of the community, and gave his voice, pen and personal efforts to all movements that he believed were for the public good. He was a man of strong convictions, fearless in his adherence to principle, and outspoken in his views.

II.—Monmouth.

REV. GEORGE WASHINGTON COTTRELL.

Mr. Cottrell was a native of Eastern New York, and was educated at Castleton. He was ordained to the ministry in 1838. His labors continued for nearly sixty years. His first charge was at Sandy

Hill, N. Y. He later did missionary work in various places in Vermont. In 1852 he went to Illinois, and afterwards to Waukesha county, Wisconsin. He served as a missionary at Waukesha, Oconomowoc, Hartland, Merton and Pewaukee. In 1862 he removed to Vineland, N. J., and in October, 1865, became a member of the Presbytery of West Jersey by letter from "The District Convention of Presbyterian and Congregational Ministers." In 1875 he made his home in Wheatland, N. J., transferring, in 1877, his letter to Monmouth Presbytery. For several years he preached at Whitings and Chatsworth. He was born April 27th, 1817, and died December 30th, 1897.

REV. DANIEL DERUELLE.

The subject of this sketch was born in Washington, Pa., August 10th, 1838. He took his preparatory, collegiate and theological courses in Princeton, graduating from the college in 1861, and from the seminary in 1864. He was ordained as an evangelist by the Presbytery of Luzerne, April, 1866. His first charge was Weatherly, Pa., and Beaver Meadow, Pa., where he acted as stated supply from 1865 to 1871. In the latter year he removed to Audenried, Pa., where he was instrumental in organizing a church and erecting a fine church edifice. This pastorate continued till 1874. In connection with this charge he served Jeanesville and Beaver Meadow as stated supply. From 1875 to 1884 he was pastor successively of Hope, and Knowlton and Delaware, N. J. In 1885-6 he was stated supply of the Westminster Church, Manchester, N. H. From 1886 to 1888 he ministered at South Bethlehem, Pa., and from 1888 to 1894 at Knoxville, Pa. On the 9th of October, 1894, he was installed pastor of the church at Cream Ridge and New Egypt, where he remained until April, 1896. He passed away suddenly December 20th, 1897, and was buried in Princeton, N. J. A brother and two sisters survive him.

III.—Morris and Orange.

REV. DANIEL MCGEE BARDWELL.

Mr. Bardwell was born in Bolton, Lake George, N. Y., August 1813. He graduated from Williams College in the class of 1842, and from Andover Seminary in 1845. In June of the latter year he was ordained to the ministry at Woodstock, Connecticut. After two years' pastorate in that place, he entered home mission work in Sharon Grass Lake, Ontario, and other places in Michigan. He then labored in Michigan City, Indiana. For six years subsequently he was Superintendent of the American Bible Society for Wisconsin. He then became pastor at Marksan, Wisconsin, where

he preached for six years. In 1871 he united with the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, and was installed pastor of the church at Whippany, April 26th 1871. This pastorate continued for fifteen years. In 1886 failing health compelled him to abandon the pastoral work. With his invalid wife, he found a quiet and congenial resting place for old age in the Ministers' Home Perth Amboy. In 1890 his first wife died. He married his second wife in Perth Amboy, and she still survives him. He died June 1st 1898.

REV. WILLIAM WHITMAN HALLOWAY.

The sudden death of Mr. Halloway occurred at Morris Plains, N. J., September 19th, 1898. For a year or two he had been in feeble health. He was in his eightieth year. Mr. Halloway was born in Philadelphia, in 1818. Both collegiate and theological courses were pursued at Rutgers, New Brunswick. His first charge was the Reformed Church, Clifton Park, N. Y. He subsequently served churches of the same denomination at Alloway, Brooklyn and Flushing, N. Y. In 1872 he accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church Battle Creek Michigan. In 1877 he came to live in Dover, N. J., where his son was pastor. For a year or two he taught a private school.

The Presbyterian Church at Mount Freedom, N. J. becoming vacant, and his services being sought, he became pastor of that church which he served for five or six years. Once more he sought to retire, but now he was desired in Morris Plains. In the work there he continued until 1892 when, having completed fifty years in the ministry, he was honorably retired.

His wife was Harriet Newell Thompson, of New Brunswick, N. J., who died in 1892. A son and daughter survive him.

IV.—New Brunswick.

REV. BENJAMIN GRIER VAN CLEVE.

Mr. Van Cleve died at his residence in Princeton, N. J., September 26th, 1898, in the forty sixth year of his age. He was born at Webster Mills, McConnellsburg, Pa., March 6th, 1853. He graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1883, and from Princeton Seminary in 1886. He was ordained to the ministry by the Presbytery of Steuben, June 10th 1886, and installed pastor over the Presbyterian Church Andover, N. Y. In 1889 he accepted a call to the churches of Milford and Holland, Presbytery of New Brunswick, and was installed July 11th. The labors in this pastorate were most arduous, and his physical powers were overtaxed. He was constrained to resign for the sake of his health, and the relation ceased April 15th, 1896. Mr. Van Cleve then removed to Frenchtown, N. J., where he rested for a year. He then resumed

work, accepting a joint call to Canaan Centre, Presbytery of Columbia, N. Y., and the Congregational Church of Canaan Four Corners, N. Y. Within three months after his removal to this new field, September 1897 he was stricken with paralysis. As soon as possible he was removed to Princeton, where he survived about a year. He married Miss Jennie Hagaman of Princeton, N. J., June 8th, 1887, who, with four children survives him.

SYLVESTER W. BEACH,
Chairman.

III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

Your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, in presenting this its twelfth Annual Report, comes before you with rejoicing, for "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

Though called, on September 7th, 1898, through his elevation to the position of Assistant Secretary on the Home Board, to part with our incomparable leader, Rev. John Dixon, D.D., whose clear head, wise judgment, executive ability, unfailing courtesy and eloquent advocacy had rendered him "Facile Princeps" in the launching and directing of this work, and, though at that time, when we were as men bewildered, a company without a captain, we were told that of the \$17,415.39 which we had started out to raise, \$7,160.17 remained still uncontributed, and only three short weeks left in which to gather it, we have so addressed ourselves to our task, and have been so loyally and enthusiastically supported by Presbyteries and churches, that, though we cannot report the raising of the full quota of Synod, as we had fondly hoped to do, we can report a sum total of receipts of \$16,721.97, which, leaving out of last year's account a special gift of the Presbytery of Elizabeth to meet the deficiency of the previous year, is almost \$300 larger than the total amount of last year, and more than \$300 larger than the largest amount ever yet raised during any one year in the history of our work.

As contributing toward this magnificent result, especial mention must be made of the Presbytery of Newark, which, though not yet quite raising her full quota, has increased her gift of a year ago by nearly \$600, thus verifying the truthfulness of the prophecy made at the last Synod, that "Newark, the very center of Presbyterianism in our State, and the 'mother of us all,' even though called upon to do difficult work within her own bounds, would not long allow herself to be the only Presbytery in the Synod not meeting her quota." Next year we confidently expect Newark to be in line.

As further contributing toward this result, mention should also be made of the Presbyteries of Morris and Orange New Brunswick and West Jersey which have raised their full quota, and of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, which has gone nearly \$30.00 beyond. Nor should we forget the indefatigable labors of the Chairmen and members of our various Presbyterial Committees of whose untiring zeal and persistent activity many of those here present could testify; and the superb work of the Treasurer, Judge Lanning, whose financial statements made each quarter to our Committee, whose printed circular issued early in September, whose daily

bulletins sent to each member of the Committee during that never-to-be-forgotten last week, and whose promptness and accuracy have made possible that which could not otherwise have been achieved. It is indeed, true that three of our Presbyteries, which last year raised their quota, namely, the Presbyteries of Jersey City, Monmouth and Newton, have this year fallen behind. But in each instance there was a cause which we believe to have been only temporary. And next year we hope to be able to report that the full quota of Synod has been raised, and that every Presbytery in the Synod is in line.

Nor is the raising of money during "war and commotion" the only or chief ground of our thanksgiving to-day. Spiritually God has been gracious to us, and His arm of help has been continually outstretched. We have been permitted to aid 87 different churches within our bounds, an increase of six over the number aided last year and, in addition, to foster a large amount of missionary activity which has not yet come to the estate of a church, and to our mission churches have been added, on confession of their faith, 605 persons, a larger percentage than that of the rest of the State, the four Presbyteries standing highest in this good work being Jersey City, which reports 58 accessions on confession to her missionary churches; Monmouth, which reports 101; Newark, which reports 138, and West Jersey, which reports 195.

In the management of its own affairs, your Committee would report that it has held four regular meetings, assembling twice at Trenton, once at Lakewood and once at Atlantic City; that the place of Dr. Dixon on the Committee has been supplied by Dr. S. M. Studdiford, of Trenton, who has shown his fitness for the work by successfully bringing New Brunswick Presbytery up to its quota, a consummation which, when he took hold of the work on Sept. 20th, seemed almost impossible; and that, agreeable to the action of the last Synod, to wit, "That hereafter the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund be audited quarterly by Synod's Committee on Synodical Home Missions," your Committee has audited said accounts and does hereby report them to be correct. But while in this last matter obeying the instructions of Synod, your Committee is of the opinion that its action amounts to nothing, since, in its judgment, the resolution of Synod commanding this work was in conflict with the unrepealed clause of Section 6 of Standing Rule No. IX, which provides for the appointment, at each meeting of Synod, of a Finance Committee of "four members, two ministers and two ruling elders, *who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurers of the different funds.*" And your Committee has, therefore, asked its Treasurer to bring his accounts to this Synod to be audited, and is prepared, through a resolution which is appended to this report, to suggest a way by which the object aimed

at by the Finance Committee of the last Synod, which secured the passage of the resolution now under consideration, may in the future be accomplished. And in this connection it may be well to state that the object which the Finance Committee had in its mind was to relieve subsequent Finance Committees from that which seemed to it the unreasonable burden of requiring four members of Synod to absent themselves from a large part of the sessions of Synod while they waded through a vast mass of vouchers, &c., which the proper examination of this Treasurer's account involved.

In looking toward the future, your Committee is happy to report that it begins its new, its thirteenth, year without debt the balance of \$4,076.64 reported by the Treasurer on October 1st, 1898 having been found sufficient to meet maturing obligations. This has not been because the Presbyteries have raised all that was asked of them, but simply because, for various reasons certain of the Presbyteries have used less than was apportioned to them. But the balance in the treasury is so small that it may truly be said that we begin the new year with nothing to fall back upon. For whatever, therefore we do during the year, means must be provided during the year. How much can we provide, and, consequently, how much can we apportion to the various Presbyteries?

If we should listen simply to the voices of the Presbyteries, we should apportion in the aggregate a very much larger sum than we had ever apportioned before, for the desires of the Presbyteries are for larger sums to meet increasing needs. But can we listen to these importunate calls? Has it not been the glory of our work, and to a large degree, the secret of its success that it has been conducted from the outset without debt? And can we reasonably expect to come up to Synod twelve months hence without debt if we apportion to the Presbyteries any considerable sum more than we apportioned last year? After a careful canvass of the situation your Committee is of the opinion that the *ulmost* which can reasonably be expected from the Presbyteries during the coming year is an increase over the receipts of the last year of about \$300.00, making the total anticipated receipts to be not far from \$17,000.00. And it is the opinion of your Committee, further, that, cost what it will, the appropriations for the current year should be brought within that sum. But at this point another factor comes in to complicate the situation. The Presbytery of New Brunswick which from the very beginning has drawn comparatively little from the fund and which consequently, occupies the proud position of having given, over and above the amount which it has received during the twelve years of the history of this work, the magnificent sum of \$20 875.65, being exceeded by Elizabeth alone, and that by only \$68.45, the Presbytery of New Brunswick, which certainly, in view of what it has done, has conspicuous claims upon this

fund, comes forward with a request that an increase of a thousand dollars be made to its apportionment to enable it to enter upon a new and most promising work, largely among the foreign populations of the city of Trenton. And it is but fair to say that the unanimous desire of your Committee is to grant this request. But how can this be done? Glancing at the amounts already apportioned to the various Presbyteries, it is apparent that this increased apportionment to the Presbytery of New Brunswick can only be made by cutting down the apportionments to the other Presbyteries. And it is apparent, further, that the utmost which can be done along this line this year is about \$500. Already, to bring the desires of the Presbyteries within the limits of the money which we may reasonably expect to raise, these requests must be cut down by at least \$1,500.00, and after this to make an additional cut of \$500.00 is about all that the work can stand. Though deeply regretting the necessity which is upon it, your Committee is of the opinion that for this year the utmost which can be granted to New Brunswick is about half of the increased amount desired, and it expresses the hope that the increased contributions from the various Presbyteries will enable it to grant the full amount next year. The results of these conclusions will appear in the resolution appended to this report, wherein the amounts apportioned to the various Presbyteries are set forth.

One other item deserves at least a casual mention. It will appear, from Schedule 5 of the report of the Treasurer of this fund, that the item of administration expenses is becoming an important item in connection with this work. One element in this bill, namely, about \$90 paid last year for interest on money borrowed to meet our payments to our various missionaries, we hope to see eliminated. It could be at once, if only a portion of our churches would forward their contributions to our Treasurer at an earlier date in the fiscal year. But much of this bill will remain and even increase as the work progresses. We must do not a little printing in connection with the work, and it is entirely unjust to ask the members of the Committee to give time and vitality to the work and then to pay for their postage and traveling expenses as well.

Hitherto this item for expenses has been met by the balance remaining in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year. But that balance is now practically exhausted. It has been necessary, therefore, for your Committee, in presenting its apportionments for the year to make a special apportionment for administration expenses.

Brethren of the Synod, the work committed by you to our care was never more pressing in its need and never more hopeful in its outlook. On every side new doors of opportunity are opening before us, and it has caused us no little pain to be compelled to say "No" to a large number of these appeals. Indeed, your Committee

has never had a more difficult and distressing duty to perform than when, in view of its conviction that its appropriations must be kept within a certain amount, it was compelled to cut down, this year, the amount desired by each one of the Presbyteries. Why should this be necessary? Why should not our Synod provide a larger sum for its own Home Mission work? The eyes of the country are upon us. The record of our Synod in its Home Mission work for the past twelve years is memorable in the history of the Church. Remembering that "there remaineth yet much land to be possessed," let us in the name of God and with a spirit of self sacrifice commensurate with our opportunities advance to better and nobler service in the days to come. Your Committee propose for your adoption the following recommendations :

1. That, having been notified of the resignation of Rev. John Dixon, D.D., as Chairman of this Committee Synod desires to place on record its profound appreciation of the conspicuously useful services of Dr. Dixon to this Committee and, through it, to the church and the State; to congratulate the Board of Home Missions upon securing such a valuable addition to its directing force; and to bespeak for Dr. Dixon the abundant blessing of God in his new and important position.

2. That, feeling that the present is a fit time to record its convictions upon this subject, Synod would most emphatically reaffirm its former declarations, to wit that in the scheme of Synodical Home Missions as at present conducted, through its various Presbyterial and Synodical Committees, Synod recognizes a wise and efficient instrument for the prosecution of its work and pledges to it its hearty and continued support.

3. That, having discovered that the action of Synod, recorded on page 16 of the Minutes of 1897, to wit, "That hereafter the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund be audited quarterly by Synod's Committee on Synodical Home Missions," was in conflict with the unrepealed clause of Section 6 of Standing Rule No IX which provides for the appointment, at each meeting of Synod, of a Finance Committee of "four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders—who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurers of the different funds," your Committee recommend :

- I. That the action of the last Synod upon this subject, and recorded upon page 16 of the Minutes of 1897, be repealed.

- II. That Section 6, of Standing Rule No. IX, be amended by the addition of the words, "Except the Synodical Home Mission Fund," making the entire clause read :

- (6) *On Finance*, four members—two ministers and two Ruling Elders—who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home

Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

III. That a seventh section be added to Standing Rule No. IX, to wit:

(7) *On Synodical Home Mission Accounts*, a Special Finance Committee two members—one minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions—who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.

4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute, as in former years, upon the basis of church membership, as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for 1898, so that—

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of,	\$2,774 70
From the Presbytery of Jersey City, at the rate of 25 cents per member, the sum of,	1,800 00
From the Presbytery of Monmouth, at the rate of 22 cents per member, the sum of	1,438 80
From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of,	3,018 90
From the Presbytery of Newark, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of,	3 124 71
From the Presbytery of New Brunswick, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of,	2,491 83
From the Presbytery of Newton, at the rate of 20 cents per member, the sum of,	1 175 20
From the Presbytery of West Jersey, at the rate of 22 cents per member, the sum of,	1 721 06
Total,	<u>\$17,545 20</u>

5. That apportionments be made as follows:

For administration expenses,	\$150 00
To the Presbytery of Elizabeth,	900 00
“ “ “ “ Jersey City,	2,450 00
“ “ “ “ Monmouth,	3 800 00
“ “ “ “ Morris and Orange,	1 700 00
“ “ “ “ Newark,	1,850 00
“ “ “ “ New Brunswick,	1,000 00
“ “ “ “ Newton,	1,200 00
“ “ “ “ West Jersey,	4,000 00
	<u>\$17,050 00</u>

6. That Synod calls the attention of its churches to the superlative importance of having the offering for Synodical Home Missions reach the Treasurer of the fund as early in the fiscal year as possible.

7. That in view of the urgent needs of the work, the Presbyterial Committees on Synodical Home Missions be directed to re-canvass immediately the churches of their Presbyteries with a view to securing from them the acceptance of a larger ratio of contribution than heretofore.

EBEN B. COBB,
Chairman.

IV.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

As Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, I respectfully present the following report for the twelfth fiscal year, beginning October 1st, 1897, and ending September 30th, 1898:

The amounts which the Synod asked the Presbyteries respectively to contribute, and the amounts actually received from them respectively, were—

Presbytery.	Asked for.	Received.
Elizabeth,	\$2,729 10	\$2,758 47
Jersey City,	1,788 00	1,549 84
Monmouth,	1,449 58	1,386 07
Morris and Orange,	3,015 00	3,015 00
Newark,	3,180 87	2,820 52
New Brunswick,	2,453 22	2,453 22
Newton,	1,156 00	1,095 23
West Jersey,	1,643 62	1,643 62
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Totals,	\$17,415 39	\$16,721 97
	16,721 97	
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Deficiency,	\$693 42	

Though the contributions received were \$693.42 less than the aggregate sum asked for, it is a gratifying and an encouraging fact that they were \$108.08 in excess of the contributions of any other year in the history of our Synodical Home Mission work.

Of the total contributions (\$16,721.97) there were received—

From congregations,	\$15,410 28
“ Sabbath schools,	651 73
“ societies,	329 52
“ individuals,	300 44
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Total,	\$16 721 97

Counting mission chapels and mission stations as churches, and also counting Sabbath-schools and societies as churches in the cases where contributions have been received from them and none from the churches to which they belong, it appears that contributions have been received during the year from—

34	of the 36 churches in Elizabeth Presbytery.
27	“ 37 “ Jersey City Presbytery.
48	“ 48 “ Monmouth Presbytery.
46	“ 46 “ Morris and Orange Presbytery.
32	“ 36 “ Newark Presbytery.
33	“ 36 “ New Brunswick Presbytery.
33	“ 34 “ Newton Presbytery.
55	“ 59 “ West Jersey Presbytery.

The appropriations made by Synod to the respective Presbyteries for the year, and the aggregate sums paid for mission work in those Presbyteries for the nine months from October 1st, 1897, to June 30th, 1898 (the payments for the last quarter from July 1st to September 30th, 1898, when the books for the year are closed not being made until after September 30th), were as follows :

Presbytery.	Appropriation.	Amounts Paid.	Balance of Appropriation
Elizabeth,	\$1,075 00	\$800 00	\$275 00
Jersey City,	2,650 00	1,944 50	705 50
Monmouth,	3,900 00	3,165 25	734 75
Morris and Orange,	1,800 00	1,193 75	606 25
Newark,	2,000 00	1,375 00	625 00
New Brunswick,	475 00	366 00	109 00
Newton,	1,200 00	937 50	262 50
West Jersey,	4,200 00	3,231 00	969 00
	<u>\$17,300 00</u>	<u>\$13,013 00</u>	<u>\$4,287 00</u>

Counting mission chapels and mission stations as churches, the number of aid-receiving churches for the year were as follows :

In the Presbytery of Elizabeth,	4
“ “ Jersey City,	12
“ “ Monmouth,	19
“ “ Morris and Orange,	12
“ “ Newark,	6
“ “ New Brunswick,	3
“ “ Newton,	9
“ “ West Jersey,	22
Total,	<u>87</u>

The following schedules are annexed to this report : Schedule 1 containing a detailed statement of the contributions received, classified by congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals ; Schedule 2, being a summary of Schedule 1 ; Schedule 3 containing a summarized statement of payments made during the year to min-

isters and missionaries for their services, and also for business expenses incurred for printing, postage, revenue stamps, traveling expenses and interest on moneys borrowed; and Schedule 4, containing a statement of the number of aid-receiving churches, mission chapels and stations, and of the amounts paid toward their support, in the eleventh and twelfth fiscal years.

A summary of the Treasurer's account, for the twelfth fiscal year from October 1st, 1897, to September 30th, 1898, is as follows:

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To balance from last year,	\$4,349 72
" contributions received (see Schedule 2),	16,721 97
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	\$21 071 69
" moneys borrowed on promissory notes,	6,250 00
" cash refunded by Rev. A. H. Dashiell, D.D., Chairman, out of appropriation to Monmouth Presbytery,	59 75
" contribution by Rev. A. H. Dashiell, D.D., to be added to appropriation of Monmouth Presbytery,	39 50
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	\$27,420 94

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By payments to ministers and missionaries for services in eleventh fiscal year (see Schedule 3),	\$3,784 25
" expenses of Permanent Committee, for traveling, postage, &c., in eleventh fiscal year (see Schedule 3),	18 66
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	\$3,802 91
" payments to ministers and missionaries for services in twelfth fiscal year (see Schedule 3),	13,013 00
" expenses of Permanent Committee for traveling, postage, &c., in twelfth fiscal year (see Schedule 3),	39 66
" cost of printing cards and envelopes (see Schedule 3),	111 75
" cost of revenue stamps for Treasurer (see Schedule 3),	2 48
" cost of printing Treasurer's statement of September 1st, and for postage (see Schedule 3),	38 30
" interest on notes for moneys borrowed (see Schedule 3),	86 20
" notes payable, all redeemed (see Schedule 3),	6,250 00
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Total payments (see Schedule 3),	\$23,344 30
Balance to next year,	4,076 64
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	\$27,420 94

Out of the balance of \$4,349.72 in hand on October 1st, 1897, there was paid to ministers and missionaries for services performed in

the eleventh fiscal year, that is, for the quarter ending September 30th, 1897, the sum of \$3,784.25, and for administration expenses for the eleventh fiscal year the sum of \$18.66, leaving an actual available balance on October 1st, 1897, for the work of the twelfth fiscal year of \$546.81, as shown by the following statement :

Gross balance October 1st, 1897,	\$4,349 72
Paid to ministers and missionaries,	\$3,784 25
Paid administration expenses,	18 66
	3,802 91
Actual available balance October 1st, 1897,	\$546 81

The balance of \$4,076.64 in hand October 1st, 1898, is probably slightly in excess of the drafts that will be made on the Treasurer for the services of the twelfth fiscal year, so that it may be safely stated that the work of the twelfth fiscal year closes without debt.

Appended to this report will be found Schedule 5, which is a tabulated statement of the contributions received and payments made on account of our Synodical Home Mission work for the twelve years of its existence, so arranged as to show the contributions and payments for each of the twelve years and for each of the Presbyteries. The statement shows that for the twelve years the total contributions from all sources for Synodical Home Mission work have been \$169,064.64, and the total payments \$164,988.00, the difference between these two sums (\$4,076.64) representing the balance in the Treasurer's hands on October 1st 1898.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. LANNING,

Treasurer.

Dated October 19th, 1898.

SCHEDULE I.

Referred to in the foregoing report.

Contributions to the work of Synodical Home Missions by congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals during the twelfth fiscal year, beginning October 1st, 1897, and ending September 30th, 1898.

NAMES OF DONORS.		Congre- gations, Schools.	Socie- ties.	NAMES OF DONORS.		Congre- gations Schools.	Socie- ties.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.							
Basking Ridge,		\$89 00		Rahway, 1st,		\$120 00	
Bayonne City, 1st,				" 2d,		159 00	
Bethlehem,		8 29		" 1st German,		5 00	
Cartaret,		12 30		Roselle,		92 20	
Clarksville,				Springfield,		60 00	
Clinton,		72 90		Westfield,		200 00	
Connecticut Farms,		46 00		Woodridge, 1st,		45 82	\$15 00
Cranford,		100 00		Totals,		\$2439 32	\$238 18
Dunellen,		20 25					
Elizabeth, 1st,		124 28	\$18 82				
" 2d,				WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CIVIL.			
" 3d,		83 35	37 15	Carlstadt German,		\$18 60	
" 1st German,		15 00		Claremont,		212 06	
" Greystone,		93 90		Englewood,			
" Madison Avenue,		23 10		Garfield,		6 00	\$10 50
" Siloaur,		12 00		Hackensack,		20 00	
" Westminster,		200 00		Hoboken,		4 00	
Lanington,		55 00		Jersey City, 1st,		132 68	
Liberty Corner,		37 50		" 2d,		39 10	
Lower Valley,		75 00		" " John Knox,			
Maurer, German,		10 50		" " Scotch,		12 00	
Metuchen,		78 71		" " Westminster,		45 00	
Perth Amboy,		71 50	3 20	Norwood,		2 40	
Plainfield, 1st,		120 60		Oak Ridge, Newfoundland,		12 20	
" Crescent Avenue,		260 40		Passaic, 1st,		86 00	95 00
" Bethel Chapel,		11 40		" 2d,		13 45	10 16
" Hope Chapel,		76 20		" " German,		5 00	
" Warren Chapel,		29 10		Paterson, 1st,		89 00	
Pinckemin,		40 02	9 98				

NAMES OF DONORS.		Congre- gations.	Sabbath Schools	Socie- ties.	NAMES OF DONORS		Congre- gations.	Sabbath Schools.	Socie- ties.
German Valley,		\$20 00			WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.				
Hanover,		80 00		\$25 00	Arlington,		\$225 00		
Madison,		135 20			Bloomfield, 1st,		150 00		
Mendham, 1st,		78 90			" " " " " Westminister,		52 77	\$5 00	
" " " " " 2d,*		12 50			Caldwell,		12 00		
Mibe Hill,		5 00			Kearney Knox,		23 00		\$12 00
Morris Plains,		275 00			Lyons Farms,		125 00		
Morristown, 1st,		225 21			Monclair, 1st,				
" " " " " South Street,		13 00			" " " " " " " " " " " Aid,"				\$10 00
Mt. Freedom,		23 40			" " " " " " " " " " " Grace,				
Mt. Olive,		5 00			" " " " " " " " " " " Trinity,		70 00		
Myersville, German,		10 00			Newark, 1st,		400 00		
New Providence,		15 07			" " " " " 2d,		300 00		
New Vernon,		275 00			" " " " " 3d,		307 00		
Orange, 1st,		275 00			" " " " " 6th,		9 71		
" " " " " Central,		10 00	\$7 00		" " " " " 1st German,		25 00		
" " " " " Hillside,		111 00			" " " " " 2d German,		15 00		
" " " " " St Cloud,		27 00			" " " " " 3d German,		20 00	20 00	10 00
Orange Valley, German,		12 00			" " " " " 1st Italian,		23 00		
Parsippany,		10 24			" " " " " Bethany,		4 00		
Pleasantdale, German,		5 27			" " " " " Central,		29 25		
Pleasant Grove,		24 40			" " " " " Newsmith Memorial,		25 00		
Rockaway,		34 00			" " " " " Fifth Avenue,		20 81	9 71	
Schooley's Mountain,		20 00		2 00	" " " " " Forest Hill,		72 00		
South Orange, 1st,		95 00			" " " " " High Street,		148 00		
" " " " " Trinity,		55 00			" " " " " House of Hope,		4 55		
" " " " " Vailsburgh,*		6 62	1 65	2 50	" " " " " Immanuel, German,		17 85		
Stirling,		28 00			" " " " " Manhattan Park Chapel,		9 18		
Succasunna,		150 60			" " " " " Memorial,		24 00		
Summit, Central,		11 80			" " " " " Park,		165 00		
Whippany,*		25 07			" " " " " Plane Street,		28 00		
Wyoming,		25 07			" " " " " Roseville,		250 00		
Morris and Orange Presbytery,					" " " " " South Park,		172 00		
Totals,		\$2955 29	\$8 65	\$51 06	" " " " " Wickliffe,		9 51	9 50	
					Roseland,		7 68		
					Verona,				
					Totals,		\$2744 31	\$44 21	\$22 00

* The three churches marked with a star contributed the sum of \$25.07, which is credited to the Morris and Orange Presbytery.

WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Alexandria, 1st,	\$25 69							
Amwell, 1st, Reaville,	25 00							
" 2d, Mt. Airy,	6 75							
United, Ringees,	4 00							
Bound Brook,	50 00				\$5 00			
Dayton,	55 00							
Dutch Neck,	50 00							
Ewing,	55 00							
Flemington,	150 00							
Frenchtown,	14 00	\$2 00						
Hamilton Square,	25 22							
Holland,	10 00							
Hopewell,	17 58				3 00			
Kingston,	5 00				2 00			
Kingwood,								
Kirkpatrick Memorial,	70 00				20 00			
Lambertville,	57 51							
Lawrenceville,	51 38							
Milford,	97 93							
New Brunswick, 1st,								
" 2d,								
Pennington,	30 00							
Princeton, 1st,	144 82							
" 2d,	115 30	5 00						
Witherspoon Street,	5 00							
Stockton,	10 00							
Titusville,	25 00				5 00			
Trenton, 1st,	390 45							
" East Trenton Chapel,	23 00	11 19			3 14			
" 2d,	10 00	10 00						
" 3d,	100 00	50 00						
" 4th,	100 00							
" 5th,	35 00							
" Bathany,	75 00							
" Prospect Street,	217 00	5 00			3 00			
" Brookville Mission,	7 26							
" A Friend,								
" G, " in Presbytery of New Brunswick,	150 00							
Totals,	\$2057 89	\$101 19			\$44 14			

\$250 00

WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.

Andover,	\$8 60							
Asbury,	75 00							
Beatyestown,	1 00							
Belvidere, 1st,	5 75							
" 2d,	25 00							
Blairstown,	118 00							\$7 00
Bloomsbury,	27 00							
Branchville,	118 00							
Danville,	22 00							
Deckertown,	35 00							
Delaware,	14 00							
Franklin Furnace,	15 00							
Greenwich,	12 00							
Hackettstown,	125 00							
Harmony,	9 77							3 00
Knowlton,	11 00							
La Fayette,	13 35							
Mansfield, 2d,	1 00							
Marksboro,	15 00							
Musconetcong Valley,	2 00							
Newton,	200 00							
North Hardyston,	18 00							
Oxford, 1st,	20 00							
" 2d,								6 37
Phillipsburg, 1st,	9 00							
" Westminister,	15 00							
Sparta,	18 00							
Stanhope,	20 00							
Stewartsville,	50 70							
Sullwater,	16 79							
Wanage, 1st, Deckertown,	10 00							
" 2d, Beemerville,	18 00							
Washington,	125 00							
Yellow Frame, Johnsonburg,	30							
The Presbytery of Newton,								
Totals,	\$1078 86							\$16 37

WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.

Absecon,	\$10 00
Atco,	10 00
Atlantic City, 1st,	56 00
Totals,	\$16 00

NAMES OF DONORS.		Congre- gations, Schools	Socie- ties.	NAMES OF DONORS.		Congre- gations, Schools	Socie- ties.
Atlantic City, German,		\$20 00		Hammonton,		\$13 00	
" " Olivet,		10 00		" Italian,		6 00	
Audubon,		3 96		Holly Beach,		7 00	
Berlin,				Janvier,		5 00	
Bilingsport,		10 00		Jericho,		1 00	
Blackwood,		34 00		Leeds Point,		27 00	
Bridgeton, 1st,		93 00		Mays Landing,		15 00	
" 2d,		97 46	\$10 00	Merchantville,		21 31	
" 4th,		19 00		Milville,		8 75	\$15 00
" Irving Avenue,		22 00		Ocean City, 1st,		50 00	
" West,		55 88		Pittsgrove,		2 00	
Bunker Hill,		4 40		" Hall Mission,		2 00	
Camden, 1st,		105 00		" Whig Lane Mission,		15 00	
" 2d,		89 00		Pleasantville,		50 00	17 88
" Calvary,		35 57		Salem, 1st		14 31	
" Chapel,		5 00		Swedesboro,		4 25	1 80
" Liberty Park, German,		8 80		Tuckahoe,		25 00	
Cape May City,		28 00		Vineland,		4 40	
Cedarville, 1st,		24 64		Waterford,		33 00	10 00
" Osborn Memorial,				Wenonah,		28 40	
Clayton,		50 00		Williamstown,		67 60	5 00
Cold Spring,		33 00		Woodbury,		12 00	
Deerfield,		42 00	2 00	Woodstown,			
Elmer,		20 00		William Akman,		\$10 00	
Elwood, Brainerd,		8 32		Rev. H. P. Hill,		5 00	
Fairfield,		16 00		Rev. Wm Bannard, D.D.,		5 00	
Glassboro,		3 96		Walter H. Johnson,		25	
Gloucester City,				Rev. Wm. J. Bridges,		5 00	
Grace, North Cramer Hill,		23 22	24 00	Rev. A. H. Brown,		5 00	
Green Creek,		6 00		Thomas W. Synnott, Henry D. Moore and Jonas Livermore,		10 19	
Greenwich,		34 0		Totals,		\$1436 03	\$40 44
Haddonfield,		45 25				\$120 90	\$46 25

SCHEDULE 2.

Referred to in foregoing report, and being a summary of
Schedule 1.

PRESBYTERIES.	Congregations.	Sabbath-schools.	Societies.	Individuals.	Totals.
Elizabeth,	\$2,439 32	\$238 18	\$80 97	.....	\$2,758 47
Jersey City,	1,440 18	47 66	62 00	.....	1,549 84
Monmouth,	1,288 40	74 57	23 10	.....	1,386 07
Morris and Orange,	2,955 29	8 65	51 06	.....	3,015 00
Newark,	2,744 31	44 21	22 00	\$10 00	2,820 52
New Brunswick,	2,057 89	101 19	44 14	250 00	2,453 22
Newton,	1,078 86	16 37	.....	.....	1,095 23
West Jersey,	1,436 03	120 90	46 25	40 44	1,643 62
Totals,	\$15,440 28	\$651 73	\$329 52	\$300 44	\$16,721 97

SCHEDULE 3.

A summarized statement of payments made during the twelfth fiscal year to ministers and missionaries and for business purposes.

PRESBYTERIES.	For services in eleventh fiscal year.	For services in twelfth fiscal year.	Totals.
Elizabeth,	\$175 00	\$800 00	\$975 00
Jersey City,	685 00	1,944 50	2,629 50
Monmouth,	826 00	3,165 25	3,991 25
Morris and Orange,	425 00	1,193 75	1,618 75
Newark,	375 00	1,375 00	1,750 00
New Brunswick,	107 00	366 00	473 00
Newton,	197 50	937 50	1,135 00
West Jersey,	993 75	3,231 00	4,224 75
	\$3,784 25	\$13,013 00	\$16,797 25
EXPENSE ACCOUNT.			
Members of Permanent Committee, traveling, &c.,	18 66	39 66	58 32
Naar, Day and Naar, for printing cards and for envelopes, . . . . .	.....	111 75	111 75
Revenue stamps for Treasurer, . . . . .	.....	2 48	2 48
Envelopes and postage stamps for Treasurer, and printing Treasurer's statement, September 1st, . . . . .	.....	38 30	38 30
Notes payable, redeemed, . . . . .	.....	6,250 00	6,250 00
Interest on notes, . . . . .	.....	86 20	86 20
	\$3,802 91	\$19,541 39	\$23,344 30

SCHEDULE 4.

Referred to in the foregoing report.

Number of aid-receiving churches, mission chapels and stations, and the amounts paid toward their support during the eleventh and twelfth fiscal years.

PRESBYTERIES.	Number of aid-receiving churches.		Increase or decrease.	Payments in 1896-7.	Payments in 1897-8.	Increase or decrease.
	1896-7.	1897-8				
Elizabeth,	3	4	Inc. 1	\$900 00	\$975 00	Inc. \$75 00
Jersey City,	11	12	Inc. 1	2,491 50	2,629 50	Inc. 138 00
Monmouth,	18	19	Inc. 1	3,960 95	3,991 25	Inc. 30 30
Morris and Orange,	12	12	. . . .	1,588 18	1,618 75	Inc. 30 57
Newark,	3	6	Inc. 3	1,762 50	1,750 00	Dec. 12 50
New Brunswick,	3	3	. . . .	413 00	473 00	Inc. 60 00
Newton,	9	9	. . . .	1,025 00	1,135 00	Inc. 110 00
West Jersey,	22	22	. . . .	4,154 56	4,224 75	Inc. 70 19
Totals,	81	87	Inc. 6	\$16,295 69	\$16,797 25	Inc. \$501 56

SCHEDULE 5.

Contributions and Payments for the Twelve Years of New Jersey Synodical Home Mission Work.

(Note that 1887 was not a full year.)

Presbytery.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	Totals.
Elizabeth—													
Contributions,	\$1,000 62	\$1,338 67	\$1,343 64	\$2,160 37	\$2,276 02	\$2,157 57	\$2,508 87	\$2,596 66	\$2,669 36	\$2,476 48	\$2,919 87	\$2,788 47	\$26,206 60
Payments,	0 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	337 50	525 00	725 00	900 00	975 00	5,262 50
Jersey City—													
Contributions,	1,174 44	1,037 49	1,173 01	1,400 68	1,412 95	1,367 08	1,297 63	1,365 29	1,799 82	1,298 95	1,912 06	1,549 84	16,653 24
Payments,	310 83	1,675 00	1,669 50	2,478 50	1,992 75	1,539 00	2,379 00	2,487 50	2,274 83	2,454 00	2,491 50	2,629 50	24,081 91
Monmouth—													
Contributions,	793 32	1,028 23	1,069 81	1,089 34	1,093 79	1,145 78	1,232 75	1,175 90	1,286 59	1,226 06	1,402 28	1,386 07	13,930 82
Payments,	1,478 73	3,314 03	3,577 52	3,609 57	3,822 68	3,690 00	3,935 22	4,093 32	3,678 84	4,069 98	3,960 95	3,991 25	43,222 69
Morris and Orange—													
Contributions,	1,391 10	2,182 97	2,450 92	2,471 63	2,548 81	2,774 38	2,817 64	2,787 30	2,946 87	2,908 42	2,933 24	3,015 00	31,228 96
Payments,	324 17	1,187 50	1,224 00	1,408 75	1,622 25	1,193 00	1,458 65	1,469 74	1,412 50	1,591 66	1,588 18	1,618 75	16,159 15
Newark—													
Contributions,	775 42	1,479 35	1,913 80	2,052 81	1,843 41	2,444 63	2,618 93	2,282 21	2,558 08	2,251 08	2,231 51	2,820 52	25,271 78
Payments,	34 94	907 68	850 00	744 16	1,610 00	1,610 00	1,625 00	1,506 25	1,556 25	1,731 25	1,762 50	1,750 00	15,394 69
New Brunswick—													
Contributions,	1,794 59	2,142 98	2,456 33	2,231 43	2,184 09	2,507 35	2,481 80	2,025 35	2,406 84	2,345 01	2,467 47	2,453 22	27,496 55
Payments,	100 00	420 83	470 95	450 50	544 25	885 21	781 66	630 50	578 00	473 00	413 00	473 00	6,220 90
Newton—													
Contributions,	416 14	1,001 48	893 95	995 88	819 33	1,063 36	969 49	881 41	1,229 94	1,143 60	1,160 20	1,095 23	11,610 10
Payments,	0 00	570 83	587 50	712 50	675 00	790 00	777 92	793 75	726 38	881 25	1,025 00	1,135 00	8,850 13
West Jersey—													
Contributions,	833 81	1,177 53	1,110 35	1,233 78	1,323 05	1,342 32	1,334 95	1,471 04	1,605 54	1,506 81	1,578 58	1,643 62	16,181 38
Payments,	1,099 00	3,809 19	3,399 95	3,389 56	3,633 47	3,927 96	4,060 61	4,300 89	4,005 63	4,122 49	4,154 50	4,224 75	44,038 06
Sums refunded, etc.,	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	85 76	80 04	37 50	25 00	0 00	149 66	88 00	99 25	485 21
Administration expenses,	22 42	135 35	128 90	115 54	115 23	113 41	133 99	134 70	170 40	133 90	207 08	297 05	1,757 97
Total contributions,	\$8,162 44	\$11,408 70	\$12,441 81	\$13,545 92	\$13,687 24	\$14,882 51	\$15,299 65	\$14,611 16	\$16,413 04	\$15,307 06	\$16,613 89	\$17,721 97	\$169,064 64
Total payments,	3,545 09	12,370 41	12,118 32	12,959 08	14,022 29	14,049 18	15,452 05	15,754 15	14,927 83	16,182 53	16,552 77	17,594 30	164,988 00
Balance October 1st, 1898,	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	\$4,076 64

* From Corisco Presbytery.

V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

More money for missions not as a dependence but as a manifestation of spiritual power, is the keynote of the report which we make to you to day.

God's providential leading is clear. In the first half of this century His people prayed for barriers to be taken down and access afforded to the lands of heathendom. The doors began to open until almost the whole world welcomes the missionary and his message. Anon, the Church became aware of the inadequacy of her feeble force of foreign workers and the cry arose to the Lord of the harvest to ' thrust forth laborers into His harvest.' Now we behold earnest laborers in many fields and a goodly array of the flower of our youth standing ready in the beauty of their consecration and the eagerness of their lofty purpose, and saying, " Here am I send me."

In each of these stages of development the Lord has gone far in advance of His people. So we find ourselves confronting an emergency which can be met only by a larger degree of consecration of ourselves and our money to His service. These youth who, in response to our call have devoted themselves are demanding to be sent to their chosen fields of labor, and there is not money enough to send them.

With this state of things in mind, let us inquire: What did our Synod give for Foreign Missions last year? A study of the Assembly's Minutes shows us that 69,219 members gave \$88,823, an average of \$1.28 for each. The range was from \$2.30 a member, in Morris and Orange, to fifty cents, in West Jersey. The aggregate was a net increase over the year preceding of \$3,437, five cents a member. Four Presbyteries enlarged their gifts: Elizabeth, \$2,186; Morris and Orange, \$1,195; Monmouth, \$266 and West Jersey, \$122. The other four Presbyteries made trifling losses; in all, \$332. The greatest gains and heaviest losses were in our cities. Considering the amount of wealth centered in them, some of them make a very poor showing; one, *e. g.*, in which 1,501 members gave but \$152—about ten cents apiece. There would seem to be room for missionary effort in such a city inasmuch as its churches were able to contribute to congregational expenses \$19,796, \$13.18 a member, one hundred and thirty times what they gave for Foreign Missions. Your committee are constrained to the belief that, unless under extraordinary circumstances, no church in our communion is so poor that it should be satisfied with a gift of less than one dollar a member to each of Home and Foreign Missions, or two cents a week, and that to fall below that average should be a cause for humiliation

on the part of pastor and people. It is a reason for congratulation that so many, and those not always the richest, are willing and able largely to exceed it; and that the trend of offerings, so long halting and backward, seems to be again upward. The God who answered prayer for open doors and, later, for an increase of laborers, will answer ours for more money, and we shall see much larger amounts devoted to His work. But such prayer involves individual, personal liberality. What a heroic example we have had from the missionaries on the field. For last year's debt of \$97,000, they furnished, out of slender means already reduced by efforts to stay retrenchment on their local fields, the goodly sum of \$10 500 one-tenth of the whole. Of a debt resting equally upon 975,877 members, this Gideon's band of 700 furnished at the rate of \$15 apiece, while the 975,000 members at home gave six cents apiece, or \$63,000. Let our leaders at home emulate their self-sacrifice and debt would henceforth be unknown.

The story of the year is in the annual report of the Board. A few gleanings only can be given.

Some missions have been specially blessed in ingathering, among them, Korea, Japan and parts of India China and Persia. The aggregate gain in membership was 3,854, 12 per cent, as against 6 per cent at home. We have now an army of 35,000 Presbyterian church members abroad.

In Korea, the demands for evangelization are so great that the diminutive force of workers cannot begin to overtake it. There is little time or opportunity for establishing schools and laying broad and deep the foundations of Christianity, because the people are so eager for the simple gospel message. One of the ultimate aims of missionary work is being developed, in that not only the missionaries are preaching, but the converts. Within a diameter of eighty miles around Seoul, the members of the Chong Doug church of that city are carrying on aggressive evangelization. Offshoots of the parent church are springing up in numerous towns and villages. The examination of 100 candidates recently occupied four hours of nearly every afternoon for three weeks. Chan Yung, a self-supporting church in Seoul, picks out its best men and sends them out as evangelists. The same church took an offering for famine sufferers in India, amounting to \$56 and eight rings. In all Korea there are 131 preaching places, 932 communicants (of whom 347 were added in ten months of the year), and the contributions were \$971.

Now go over to China. The Zong Yu church in Ning Po added 33 members and became self supporting. After service on Sabbath afternoons, the members, young and old, men and women, scatter over the city in little groups and tell the story of the Cross. In the South Gate church, Shanghai, the men have a society for the deepening of their spiritual life and the promotion of personal

effort. Of three pastors in Shanghai, only one received aid from the mission ; next year, none will.

Cross the continent to Persia and we find a story of revival. For three months following the week of prayer the missionaries and native evangelists were taxed to the utmost. In spite of what the missionaries designate "awful poverty," the gifts to God averaged seventy-eight cents per member. Yet we have to read, in the same report, that the College, Fiske Seminary and the hospital had to be closed for lack of funds, thus losing a grand opportunity.

All in all it is doubtful if our missions have ever reported upon so satisfactory a year. Even the "cut" has been overruled for good, by stimulating liberality and hastening self support. In Japan, a Missions Council resolved not to aid financially any church organized hereafter, and to endeavor to bring all churches now aided upon a self supporting basis within two years. In Syria, "the church to-day, though with a smaller number of adherents, is in a healthier and stronger condition than ever." In Chiung Mai, Laos, the necessity for a reduction in expenses having been reported, the people subscribed 500 rupees additional, equal to 1,500 days' wages of an ordinary laborer.

Thus the financial difficulty has put some of our work on a stronger and more independent basis. But it would be disastrous if greatly prolonged or often repeated. Such omens as the closing of Fiske Seminary, in the very moment of triumph and the hospital, and the College, are indicative of what would be the certain result.

We must not retreat, and we cannot stand still. At this juncture of our history as a nation when the Lord's goodness has set open new territory in both the Eastern and Western world, much of it practically untouched by evangelical effort can we mistake the divine message, "Occupy till I come"?

As a measure for meeting the present conditions, our Board has followed the example of the Church Missionary Society of England in the plan known as the "Forward Movement," which invites individuals, families, societies and churches to support individual missionaries as they support pastors at home. A man or woman of means, or a family, is asked to keep a substitute in Africa or China ; a church is asked to add to its parish a section of foreign territory with a pastor or evangelist in charge, whom it shall support co ordinately with its own pastor. In other words, it is sought to divide the foreign field, as far as possible, into sections or parishes, for the care of which individuals or churches shall make themselves responsible. It is thought that this will increase interest, make responsibility definite, and also furnish a somewhat assured income to the Board in advance, so that it can more accurately estimate its probable receipts and avoid debt and retrenchment. The

special representative, Mr. L. D. Wishard, has fully explained it to many of our churches, thirteen of which have agreed to be responsible for a salary; in each case involving a considerable advance over former gifts. Such a division of labor and responsibility, if sufficiently general, would, no doubt, greatly lighten the heavy burdens now borne by a few, and insure a higher degree of interest in missions and a more thorough cultivation of the whole field.

It is evident that new measures must be taken and new standards adopted, in missions, if the church would at all keep pace with its widening opportunities and the beckoning hand of God. Let our prayer be especially for an abundant and loving outpouring of the money of the church, that the languishing and over-worked laborers may be reinforced, that the volunteers may be sent out, that no available candidate may be refused, and that our work for foreign peoples may make rapid and steady advance all along the line. Then shall we give glory to the "Lord of the harvest" and experience constantly "the joy of harvest."

The Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. In the present unexampled access to the world field, in the success of our missions, and in the response of so choice an army of youth to the call to enter in and reap, we recognize the Lord's answers to prayer and His loud call to a larger consecration, especially of money for His work.

2. As officers and leaders of God's host, in common with our self-denying laborers abroad and many of our brethren, lately heathen, we will set an example of liberal giving to missions, and urgently invite the members of our flocks to follow.

3. We offer our hearty cooperation with the Board in its "Forward Movement," and commend its special representative, Mr. Luther D. Wishard, to our churches.

4. We express our heart-felt sympathy with the body of student volunteers, especially with those whose departure for the field is postponed through lack of funds; and we recommend to our churches to make use of these young brethren, when practicable, during their winter recess, for stimulating their young people and for evangelistic work.

5. We remind the churches of the Assembly's recommendations that not less than two annual offerings be made; that each Sabbath-school be asked for a Christmas offering; that stated instruction be given to our youth in the Sabbath schools and the Young People's Societies, to develop interest in missions and systematic giving thereto.

6. Having been permitted to review reports from some of its churches, we send our loving greetings to the Presbytery of Corisco, with assurance of remembrance in our prayers.

7. We have received and read with satisfaction the reports of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, and cordially commend their admirable work.

8. We record with mutual congratulation the election of another of the members of our Synod to serve upon the Board of Foreign Missions.

HENRY S. BUTLER,
Chairman.

VI.—TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

To day our regiment passes before us for the annual review, and we would first of all give thanks to the Father for His guardian care. Shadows have fallen about us and sickness has prevailed to an alarming extent in some of our schools, but the lives of teachers and pupils have been precious in His sight, and there are few vacant places in our ranks.

The celebration of a twenty-first birthday is always an important event, and when we reach that milestone, having a good record and with every prospect of greater usefulness before us, happy should we be! And this is just such an occasion. We are divided into eight companies, with a full corps of officers and 9 236 privates. Subdivisions are, 201 societies, 85 bands and 66 contributing Sunday schools. We find by comparison a *loss* in membership and in the number of bands, but gains in some other directions, as, for example, contributions from our Sabbath schools have increased to the amount of \$515 over those of last year. Unfortunately the C. E. Societies have fallen off over \$200.

The following are the contributions according to Presbyteries :

Presbytery.	Value of Boxes.	Money.
Elizabeth,	\$1 993 82	\$5,004 45
Jersey City,	1,198 35	1,807 45
Monmouth	1,207 92	1,936 75
Morris and Orange,	5,017 85	5,256 55
Newark,	2,006 73	2,221 69
New Brunswick,	1,660 30	2,311 97
Newton,	690 34	1 456 66
West Jersey,	1,017 38	1,087 49

The total amounts received at the New York office are \$20,764.85 for Home Missions and \$1,616.81 for Freedmen, making in all \$22,381.66, a gain of \$443.53 over our former high-water mark

For the inspiration of all we will glance briefly at the work in each division. Here is *Elizabeth*, with her well drilled officers and her well filled treasury, under the command of Mrs. Liggett, of Rahway. Five teachers are supported and twelve scholarships paid, and they bring their largest contributions. Three reasons are suggested for this; the long subscription lists to the missionary magazines, the extensive distribution of leaflets, and the regular quarterly payments.

Mrs. Campbell, at the head of the *Jersey City* division, brings with her a large number of recruits from among the young people, and bears hearty testimony to the inspiration and financial aid given by this addition to the ranks.

Monmouth, under the leadership of Mrs. Curry, has cause for gratitude. Prosperity has crowned her efforts, and they are experiencing the inspiration of additional membership. Many societies have been visited, and a more effective work is done through better organizations.

Morris and Orange, our largest company, is in command of Mrs. Cushing and her efficient staff. An increased interest in missionary literature is evident, and a more zealous spirit of unity in the work shown. All societies contributed toward the box for a school in Utah, and the grateful letter of acknowledgment was also shared equally.

Newark comes next, having passed her tenth year of work. Mrs. Gibson, as presiding officer, and her active aides in all local societies have accomplished much towards a continual growth in membership and in consecrated work. Three teachers and eleven scholarships are supported. It is interesting to note the increase in amounts sent to the General Fund and the gain of over \$100 for the Freedmen's Board.

New Brunswick passes before us in six subdivisions. Enthusiastic officers carry out the commands of the leader, and the combined strength of the divisions has given renewed zeal to all parts. Some complain of the "red tape" connected with Home Mission work, and it is refreshing to find a society which finds added machinery necessary for their most satisfactory methods.

Newton, under Miss Thompson's untiring efforts, is looking forward with increasing hope and earnest prayer, grateful for past blessings and confident of the rich reward awaiting such faithful servants.

And here is our smallest company, with Mrs. Paulding at the head! *West Jersey* is only small in numbers. Her work during the past year shows her to be "Strong in the Lord." A new society is added to her list, and large additions made from among the young people. In fact, as the reports come from all over our Synod, praise for the help and enthusiastic support of our young people is expressed in strongest terms. Another cause for the vigorous growth in several Presbyteries is ascribed to the persevering work done by the Treasurers in developing the quarterly payment system.

The work for the Freedmen has been of especial interest, and the untiring efforts of our Secretaries in that department have borne fruit in the very large increase in contributions for that Board.

No funds yield a higher rate of interest than those invested in the Lord's work. Many boys and girls in these mission schools have

this year learned the blessedness of Christian living ; and not only do they show this in their school life, but they have gone to their homes and taught others of the Saviour. Every one in the graduating class at the Asheville Farm School went away to tell the " Old, old story." The plea for admission to our schools was never so persistent, and the teachers never found it so hard to refuse. And now, with grateful hearts for past mercies, and renewed consecration for future service, let us " Press on toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord."

M. JOSEPHINE PETRIE.

VII.—TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS.

The twenty first annual meeting of The Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Princeton, N. J., October 13th. 1898.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman and opened with a responsive reading.

After prayer in which we were led by Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, of Orange, and the singing of a hymn, the roll was called, to which delegates from every Presbytery responded.

The report of the Contingent Fund was read by Mrs. Miles, and accepted.

Mrs. Honeyman explained the purpose of a Contingent Fund, and urged a liberal collection, that the Synodical Society might be able to send a delegate to the annual meeting held in connection with General Assembly.

In the absence of Miss Petrie, the Corresponding Secretary's report was read by Mrs. Gildersleeve. This report, which was accepted, gave evidence of progress and encouragement along all lines.

The Young People's Secretary Mrs. Frank B. Kelley, stirred our hearts with her urgent plea to add fuel to fires already burning in the interests of Home Missions, and Mrs. Nelson, Secretary of Literature, left no doubt in our minds as to the best kind of fuel and how to obtain it. The reports were both accepted.

After singing another hymn our President gave a forecast of the work for the coming year, which was followed by the presentation of each portion of the Special Work. Mrs. Bennett told of the work planned for the Young People's Societies; Mrs. Owens spoke for Ferguson Academy; Miss White for the Asheville Farm School.

While the offering was being received a solo was beautifully rendered.

Rev. Mr. McAfee, Superintendent of Schools, gave account of Good Will Mission and Alaska.

Upon motion it was voted to accept and act upon the recommendation of the Woman's Board and raise \$1,000 for the Asheville Farm School, \$500 for Goodwill Mission, \$500 for Alaska, over and above our pledges, and that we give our support to the amount of \$700 to Ferguson Academy.

The Secretary was instructed to send this word with the greetings of this Society to the Woman's Board.

Miss Hays, of Santa Fé, told of her school work, its needs and encouragements.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported five invitations for the next meeting, and, upon motion, the invitation from Westminister Church, Elizabeth, was accepted.

The report of the Nominating Committee was accepted and adopted, as follows :

President—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.

Vice-Presidents—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

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MRS. H. V. DESHLER, Hightstown.

MRS. M. J. PAULDING, Daretown.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. E. C. MILES, Roselle.

Recording Secretary—MISS E. D. PAXTON, Princeton.

Secretary of Literature—MRS. WM. NELSON, Paterson

Secretary of Young People's Work—To be filled by Executive Committee.

Treasurer of Contingent Fund—MRS. J. H. MANNING, Plainfield.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEES.

ELIZABETH.

Mrs. F. H. Peirson, Elizabeth

Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.

Mrs. J. M. McNulty, Woodbridge.

Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.

Miss M. Josephine Petrie, Plainfield.

Miss M. J. Peck, Elizabeth.

JERSEY CITY.

Miss L. C. Pudney, Passaic.

Miss C. D. Shaw, Paterson.

Mrs. Wm. Nichols, Jersey City.

Mrs. Alex. Campbell, Jersey City.

Mrs. Wm. Nelson, Paterson.

MONMOUTH.

Mrs. J. D. Long, Freehold.

Mrs. R. G. Davey, Red Bank.

Mrs. J. E. Curry, Cranbury.

MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.
 Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown.
 Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.
 Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.
 Miss Sarah Little, Morristown.

NEWARK.

Mrs. James Richard Gibson, Newark.
 Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montclair.
 Mrs. W. Jones, Bloomfield.
 Mrs. Isaac Marshall, Newark.
 Mrs. John Maxwell, Montclair.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. Charles Brearley, Trenton.
 Mrs. Elmer Green, Trenton.
 Mrs. P. I. Nevius, Flemington.
 Mrs. J. B. Hopewell, Flemington.
 Mrs. A. V. Van Fleet, Flemington.
 Mrs. James Roberts, Lambertville.
 Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.

NEWTON.

Miss Isabel Stewart, Washington.
 Miss McMurtry, Newton.
 Mrs. Wm. Morrow, Belvidere.
 Mrs. Wm. Thomson, Stewartsville.

WEST JERSEY.

Mrs. M. J. Pauling, Daretown.
 Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton.
 Miss Nellie M. Skinner, Woodbury.
 Miss Nellie P. Elmer, Bridgeton.

The following resolution was adopted, on motion of Miss Carter :
Resolved, That the Woman's Home and Foreign Societies of the Synod of New Jersey unite in celebrating in a fitting manner the dawn of the twentieth century, and that joint committees shall be appointed, which shall have charge of, in connection with the Presidents of the two societies, and carry out such plans as they may devise to make the meeting of October, 1900, an occasion of great enthusiasm and helpful in inspiring new zeal and giving an impetus to woman's work for women in both home and foreign lands.

The following resolutions were also adopted :

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gibson Mrs. Kelly and Miss Petrie have been obliged to resign their official position on our Synodical Committee to take other important work in the Master's field ;

Resolved That while we shall deplore the loss of their counsel and faithful interest, we do pray that God's blessings, sympathy and comfort will be with them in the fresh fields in which they may labor.

A resolution of thanks was passed to the ladies of Princeton for their bountiful lunch, their unstinted hospitality and their untiring efforts to make the meeting a success ; also thanks were given to the organist and soloist and the Committee of Arrangements, and others who had labored so faithfully to make the session a power for good.

The new officers were then introduced to the Society.

After singing " My Country, 'Tis of Thee," the Society was dismissed with the benediction by the pastor of the Second Church, Princeton, N. J.

LILLIE CAIRNS-GIBSON,

Recording Secretary

VIII.—TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOR- EIGN MISSIONS.

The eight Presbyteries of New Jersey—the Presbyteries, namely, of Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton, and West Jersey, have each a Presbyterial Society connected with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church. Each Presbyterial Society is made up of the various bands and auxiliaries connected with the several churches. These Presbyterial Societies have their annual meetings in March and April, at which each Presbyterial Secretary presents a report of the work done by the bands and auxiliaries of her Presbytery during the year just past. These reports are sent to the Corresponding Secretary of the Synodical Society, who compiles from them, and from the annual report published by the parent Society, in Philadelphia, a report which should represent the work of all the Presbyterial Societies and their auxiliaries. This report, after being read at the meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society, is sent to the general meeting of the Synod of New Jersey, where it is read to the brethren as the representation of the work accomplished by the women of the Synod for the advancement of Foreign Missions. The Synodical Secretary therefore finds herself somewhat hampered in presenting a report, by the fact that her material is at least six months old when it comes into her hands. In our busy lives the business of the years 1897-98, for example, is likely to be crowded into the background by the eager anticipation with which we welcome the coming years. "Man never is, but always to be blest." So it comes about that this Synodical report is and must be a decided retrospect. Not "forgetting" but "recalling those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, we press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Of our abundance we have given, not as generously as we might, not as liberally as some of us would like to give, but cheerfully and prayerfully.

The outward measure of our effort is as follows :

Elizabeth,	\$5,077 38
Jersey City,	2,570 73
Monmouth,	2,667 76
Morris and Orange,	4,818 65
Newark,	5,481 44
New Brunswick,	4,402 62
Newton,	2,004 96
West Jersey,	1,486 97
Total,	<u>\$28,510 51</u>

An alarm has been sent along the line that the contributions from the Woman's Society, to which the Secretaries of the Foreign Board look for a large part of their income, have shown notable falling off. We women of New Jersey are responsible for that decrease to the amount of \$,180.66 which is the difference on the wrong side between last year's contributions and this year's

Although the cold figures would indicate a decline of interest, this is happily not really the case, for new auxiliaries have been formed and old ones have been re organized to do more efficient work. There is every reason to hope that during the years 1898-9 the women of New Jersey will, in their contributions, regain that high estate from which they have fallen. The Presbyterian reports and the report of the Woman's Board all give cheering information in regard to the work done and that about to be undertaken. Among other promising indications we would note the increasing demands upon the Publication Committee of the parent society for leaflets, missionary exercises, etc. showing the growth of an intelligent interest in missionary subjects. Much thought and labor is being expended to bring the literature of missions up to the present high standard that is set before us in secular literature. All the Presbyterian Societies have Secretaries of Literature, who endeavor to keep in touch with the secretaries of auxiliaries. To their faithful work is due the fact that while Pennsylvania and Ohio have lost subscribers to the mission periodicals, New Jersey may boast of an increased number.

There has been some unavoidable confusion in the relation which the Christian Endeavor Societies and the Foreign Mission work among the Sabbath-schools bear to the different Boards. "Accordingly, the Board now proposes that, so far as agreeable to the Women's Societies and Boards of Foreign Missions, all the Young People's Societies become auxiliary to them, and that the Assembly's Board take direct charge of all Foreign Missionary Work among the Sabbath-schools." Thus we have committed to our care for guidance, education and training along missionary lines, all Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor and Junior Endeavor Societies. To our bands and Young People's Societies we look for recruits to fill the places of those who, having fought a good fight, have finished their course and gained a crown of righteousness. Among these we would make affectionate mention of Mrs. Everitt, of Jamesburg; Mrs. William Murphy, of Bordentown; Mrs. Hale, of Princeton; Mrs. Studdiford, of Lambertville; Mrs. Dale and Miss Johnson, of Trenton; Mrs. M. M. Day and Mrs. William Berry, of Newark; Mrs. Cronce, of Reaville; Miss Mary E. Coe, of Bloomfield; Mrs. Cyrus Pierce, of Arlington, and Miss Mary F. Baldwin, of Montclair.

The war with Spain, which has so occupied our thoughts and our energies during the summer, is fortunately a danger past. We have conquered the Spaniards, but the prince of evil still reigns, his power has not yet been overthrown. Let us imitate those brave men who gave their strength, and alas, in too many cases, their lives, for their country and for humanity, and work with all our might to hasten the coming of Christ's kingdom.

"It is the firm belief of one missionary enthusiast," so reads the report of the Parent Society, "that just as in ancient times the Greek language was spread over the civilized world in order that the coming Book, the new Testament, might find readers everywhere, so the woman's club is springing up in city and country, teaching women how to study large subjects, how to preside at meetings and fill offices in a businesslike way, and all this in order that this vastest of all subjects, the evangelization of the world, may be more adequately dealt with in the future than in the past."

For our missionaries on the field, the past year has been a difficult one. Time and strength that might have been employed to far better advantage have been given to solving the perplexing question of how to make one dollar do the work of two. Necessary retrenchment has made rigid economy imperative in all departments of missionary activity. The schools have felt the effect of this most severely, as it seemed impossible to allow the evangelistic work to suffer materially. Hearts have been heavy because of open doors that could not be entered and opportunities that could not be improved only because the money was lacking to make any extension of work possible. The missionaries and native helpers have made an effort that is nothing less than heroic to maintain the work in their hands. They have practiced the strictest economy in temporal matters that they might be able to furnish spiritual food for perishing souls. While the million members of the Presbyterian Church have given on an average eighty cents, four hundred and fifty missionaries have given on an average over twenty dollars for the debt, and this in addition to liberal contributions made personally in various ways on their own fields. Fifty years ago the prayers of the Christian world were for breaches in the solid wall surrounding heathendom, through which the warriors of the Church militant might throng to possess the land for Christ. To-day we see those walls thrown down and a host of young men and women willing and eager to enter in and proclaim the gospel of salvation. "And how shall they preach except they be sent?" It takes money, and a great deal of it, to send out these messengers to the ends of the earth. We have opportunity; we have men and women; there remains but one factor, and that is money, to hasten the coming of Christ's kingdom. What can we do? To whom belong the silver and the gold? We can endeavor to train a rising

generation of Christians to a more intelligent zeal and a higher liberality in God's work. The work is ours, but it is also God's, and to Him who has appointed it to us must we look for all that is needful for its accomplishment.

Saviour, lo, the isles are waiting ;
Stretched the hand and strained the sight,
For Thy Spirit, new creating,
Love's pure flame and wisdom's light ;
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot and touch the tongue,
'Till on earth by every creature
Glory to the Lamb be sung.

LILIAN ALLEN MARTIN,
Corresponding Secretary.

IX.—TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOR- EIGN MISSIONS.

The twenty first annual meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions was held in the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton N. J., October 13th, 1898. A short devotional exercise was conducted by Mrs. John T Kerr of Elizabeth.

Mrs. Stevenson, the President, presided during the morning session. Miss K. C. Rockwood was elected Secretary *pro tem.*, until the arrival of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Owens.

After the singing of an anthem, Dr. George T. Purves gave a few words of welcome to the visiting societies on behalf of the ladies of Princeton. Mrs. Stevenson responded, and asked Dr. Purves to lead in prayer. The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chalmers Martin, was read and accepted.

Mrs. Peter Stryker reported for Young People's Work. The report was very encouraging. It was accepted.

Another note of encouragement came to us through our Secretary of Literature, Miss White, of Roselle, her report telling us of an increased subscription to "Woman's Work for Woman" and to "Over Sea and Land." The report was accepted.

The Treasurer of the Contingent Fund reported received during the year \$168.37; disbursements amounting to \$95.22; balance in treasury, October 13th, 1898, \$73.15. The report was accepted.

The Secretary read a copy of the revised Constitution. It was accepted and adopted as read, with the exception of Article XII, which remains as formerly.

The following resolution was presented by Miss Carter, of Newark, and adopted:

Resolved, That the women of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Synod of New Jersey unite in celebrating, in a fitting manner, the dawn of the twentieth century, and that joint committees be appointed to-day, which shall have charge of, in connection with the Presidents of the two societies, and carry out such plans as they may devise to make the meetings of October, 1900, occasions of great enthusiasm, and helpful in inspiring a new zeal and impetus in women's work for women in both home and foreign lands.

After singing a hymn, Mrs. Dr. Schaufler, of New York was introduced, and spoke to us very earnestly of the great need of both Home and Foreign Mission work, urging us to more liberal giving.

Mrs. Thorp, of the Philadelphia Society, was next introduced. She urged the societies to make more use of the Missionary Library

at Philadelphia, and of the copied letters, which she was sure we would find helpful.

The collection of the morning amounted to \$30.65. It was moved and carried that the Society send \$50 to the Philadelphia Society.

Mrs. Nelson spoke for a few moments of the Home Missionary literature, telling what we could find that would be of great use to us in awaking interest in the great home field.

Next followed the report of the Nominating Committee :

President—Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Elizabeth.

Miss M. J. Petrie, Plainfield.

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. S. R. Forman, Jersey City.

Miss P. F. Leavens, Passaic.

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. A. H. Young, Matawan.

Mrs. L. S. Mudge, Beverly.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.

Mrs. R. L. S. Paton, East Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Miss A. M. Carter, Newark

Mrs. W. J. Rusling, Newark.

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. E. M. Hunt, Trenton

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, New Brunswick.

NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

Miss S. D. Thompson, Newton.

Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. J. M. Moore, Clayton.

Miss H. F. Van Meter, Salem.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. CHALMERS MARTIN, Princeton.

Recording Secretary—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

Treasurer—MISS C. M. COLTON, Elizabeth.

Secretary of Literature—MISS V. M. WHITE, Roselle.

Secretary of Young People's Work—MRS. P. STRYKER, Bound Brook.

This report was accepted and adopted.

The following Committee on Nominations for 1899 was named by the President :

Chairman—Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.
Mrs. C. A. Doubleday, Rutherford.
Mrs. Mary Walker, Freehold.
Miss M. L. Wickes, Orange.
Mrs. W. B. Dod Newark.
Mrs. W. W. Knox, New Brunswick.
Mrs. Wm. Morrow, Belvidere.
Mrs. S. W. Beach, Bridgeton.

The minutes of the session were read and approved.

After singing the doxology, the Society adjourned, to meet in Elizabeth, October, 1899.

MRS. J. H. OWENS,
Recording Secretary.

X.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

STATISTICS.

The statistical reports for last year contain nothing worthy of special mention, with the exception of a notable gain in the Home Department.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Last year we were able to report 1,758 members; this year there were 2,680. The Presbytery of West Jersey leads with a membership of 938; Newark stands next.

Your Committee would call the attention of Synod to the new Home Department Quarterly issued by our Board.

TWENTIETH CENTURY MOVEMENT.

Last year your Committee introduced to Synod the movement for the gathering of 500,000 new scholars into our Sabbath schools during the next few years, and Synod adopted a resolution commending the project. We believe the churches have fallen in with the plan quite generally. The Board has prepared the necessary literature for explaining and aiding the work. All that now remains to be done is for our workers to move forward.

THE CATECHISM STUDY.

There has been a revival in the study of the Westminster Shorter Catechism. The Board reports an increase of nearly fifty per cent. in the number of those who have been awarded Bibles for reciting the Catechism.

MISSIONARY WORK.

During the year 1,028 new Sabbath schools were organized, with a membership of 46,516. From these schools already have been organized churches sufficient to constitute a Presbytery, and in the past seven years more churches have been organized, from schools thus started, than are to day in all the Synod of New Jersey.

Your Committee recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

First. That the Twentieth Century Movement, which has for its object the gathering-in of 500,000 scholars in our Presbyterian schools throughout the country during the next three years be heartily approved again, and our pastors elders and workers be urged to enter upon this crusade with all possible diligence.

Second. That we recommend the observance of Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days for Sabbath-school mission work

Third. In view of the revival of interest in the study of the Westminster Shorter Catechism throughout the church, we recommend church sessions, Sabbath-school superintendents and parents to use renewed effort in the teaching of the Shorter Catechism to the children of the church

Fourth. That we again commend to the attention of the churches of Synod the new Hymnal and the Chapel Hymnal, which, since their publication, have won their way into the favor of many of our churches and bid fair to be the generally accepted books of praise of the Presbyterian Church

Fifth. That we call the attention of pastors, superintendents and primary and intermediate teachers to the merits of the Summer School of Primary Methods conducted by the New Jersey Sunday-school Association each summer in Asbury Park, believing that this school is an important adjunct in an educational way, especially to those engaged in the younger departments of our schools.

Sixth. That the attention of our pastors and Sabbath-school superintendents is specially directed to the seventh resolution of the last Assembly in respect to the presentation of the subject of Sabbath observance to our Sunday-schools in a special manner.

GEORGE H. INGRAM,

Chairman.

XI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

In presenting our fifth annual report, we are glad to note that our Young People's Societies are becoming more closely connected with the missionary agencies of our own church and more deeply interested in the great things of Presbyterianism. There is no question that they ought to be so connected and so interested, and that their gifts and influence should be principally contributed for the up-building of the Presbyterian Church. One of our Presbyterial chairmen says, "As far as Christian Endeavor Societies are concerned, the time seems to me ripe for enlisting them more entirely in church and denominational work." Another says, "I am of opinion that it is with our societies just as with members of the churches—entirely too much money trickles into non-Presbyterian channels. A little more clear-cut denominationalism would be a great gain." If there is a failing in this regard, is it not quite as much owing to a lack of Sessional oversight as it is to a lack of society interest? We are not now inculcating sectarian narrowness, but only emphasizing loyalty. That is quite as much our duty as fellowship. The assignment of missionaries to the Presbyterial groups has greatly helped to concentrate attention upon our own work.

There has also been a gain in the matter of simplicity of administration as pertaining to societies and boards. The request of the Foreign Board that the Young People's Societies become auxiliary to the Women's Boards has been followed, at least as far as reporting is concerned, by all our societies except thirty-one. This has greatly furthered simplicity. General Assembly was requested by thirty-nine overtures to change this arrangement, but declined to do so making the following answer (see Minutes of General Assembly, p. 56): "The alleged 'direction' referred to in these overtures was merely a request of the Foreign Board and not of the Assembly; and in such request the reservation was distinctly made that every Presbytery should take such action as it might deem wise, and that every Young People's Society and Sabbath school should, subject to the advice and consent of their respective church sessions and Presbyteries determine for themselves the channels through which their Foreign Missionary offerings shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Assembly's Board."

I.—SYNODICAL, HOME MISSIONS.

Our societies sent to the Committee on Synodical Home Missions the sum of \$228.85, a little less than last year. Of this amount,

about \$54 was sent as the reply to Synod's request for a Thanksgiving offering. We do not think that this is due to a lack of interest or ability, but is owing, in part, to the fact that your committee did not press the matter upon the attention of the societies, but rested with the passage of the resolution in Synod. In most cases, there the matter ended and the societies never heard anything about it.

We still say, as we said last year, that we should expect our young people to take an important part in Synodical Home Missions. They could easily do so. They could give their part of their church's assessment, or by adding to it they would make an offset to some other church's deficiency.

II.—MISSIONARY ENTERPRISES.

The special work of the Societies has been the support of foreign missionaries assigned by the Board to the various Presbyterial groups. The full list of these may be found in Minutes of Synod, 1896, p. 71. Letters from the missionaries reach the Societies two or three times per year. Other means to increase interest are a Presbyterial convention, as in Monmouth; a circle of visitation, as in Elizabeth and Newark. For the third year in succession New Brunswick has reached the full support of their missionary. This was done by work, not wealth. The chairman writes: "We had to use telegraph and telephone to do it, but it came." The other groups have reached somewhat over half of the needed support. Most of them could do the whole, if their attention could be gained. In the future it is possible that the strength of these Presbyterial groups may be greatly reduced if the "Forward Movement" of the Foreign Board should reach out so far as to include small groups of contiguous churches. In that case, no doubt, the Young People's Societies of such churches would be expected to do their part in the church group, rather than in the Presbyterial group. And that would be right. The lesser should yield to the greater. But, of course, the adjustment of these details would properly come before the Presbyteries.

III.—THE CHRISTIAN TRAINING COURSE.

This was first approved by this Synod. It has reached its fourth year, which completes its circle, and includes (1) A Biblical Department—Studies in Evangelism; a series of articles on *How to bring Men to Christ*, printed monthly in "The Church at Home and Abroad;" (2) A Historical Department—American Presbyterianism; a series of readings, the first of which will appear in "The Church at Home and Abroad," and some of which are chapters in a book on this subject, by the Rev. Wm. H. Roberts, D.D.; (3) A Missionary

Department—Modern Missions ; studies in Rev. J. A. Graham's "Missionary Expansion of the Reformed Churches," costing 50 cents. In addition to these aids, two full programmes are printed every month in the magazine, suggesting how the topics may be treated. The literature is handled by the Board of Publication. One of our chairmen writes urging "an emphatic word in favor of the Training Course. The progress in this may be slow," he says "but it seems to me that no effort should be relaxed, and that the agitation of the idea should continue." We commend this opinion to all our pastors. We would fain believe that they are all doing something systematic to make their young people acquainted with the interesting and thrilling facts of Presbyterian doctrine, polity and history, but we do not see much evidence of its being done.

IV.—STATISTICS.

We did not issue this year our own statistical blank because we judged that something good was to be issued by the officers of General Assembly but as one of our chairmen said, "Their blanks gave us no material for report and revealed little for resolutions." All our statistics are based upon the reports of the Boards, which cover only Presbyterian objects, and do not distinguish between Christian Endeavor and other societies.

There are 280 Christian Endeavor Societies in Synod, numbering about 11,000 active members, and 160 Junior Endeavor Societies, with 3,800 members. Our Young People's Societies of all kinds number about 560, with 15,000 active members. These gave to Home Missions \$1,847 ; to Foreign Missions, \$5,988 ; to other Boards, \$317 or to all our Boards, \$8,152. This is at least \$2,000 less than last year, which was \$1,300 less than 1896. We are unable to make an accurate comparison because of the transfer this year of the reports from the oversight of the Assembly's Boards to the Women's Auxiliary Boards.

We advise that the following resolutions be adopted by Synod :

1. That we echo the commendation of General Assembly and hereby express our appreciation of the earnest spirit of our Young People's Societies and their many labors, and wish them God-speed in their work.
2. That we call the attention of our young people to the great and increasing needs of the work being done by their own church, and urge them to occupy themselves fully with their proper part of this work.
3. That we request all our Young People's Societies, subject to the advice of their respective Sessions, to take an active part in the support of Synodical Home Missions, and, if possible, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars from each society for this work.

4. That we earnestly counsel all our Sessions to give more attention to their Young People's Societies ; to visit them often in their meetings ; to confer with them about the objects of their benevolence and work ; to provide for their training in Presbyterian doctrine polity and history ; to warn them affectionately against the deadening effects of worldliness now so prevalent, and in general to promote in them a deep spirituality and a strong character, that they may become worthy to be successors of the godly fathers who are so soon to pass away.

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
Chairman.

XII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee would respectfully report that the battle for true Sabbath observance goes on, with nothing to discourage, yet with much to arouse the church of God to intensest zeal in the cause. For the present, at least, the enemy seems to grow in power. The number is larger than ever of those who are disposed to pervert the sacred day by giving it to toil, to pleasure, to the things of this world, not to the honoring of God or to the care of the moral and spiritual element of their being. Therefore the evils that flow from Sabbath desecration increase among us; evils that we know assail and sap the very foundations of religion, of morality, and of our national existence, as well. The causes that contribute to this adverse condition are many. Prominent among them is the defective character of the greater part of our recent immigration. It comes from countries in which the Sabbath is degraded to be like other days of the week, or at best a holiday for amusement and dissipation. Nor are these foreigners quick to adopt our American idea in the case. Rather do they cling to their old ways and seek to develop them into grosser forms in this land of peculiar freedom. Another conspicuous cause is the greed of gain. This, under the plea of public necessity, is holding hundreds of thousands of our citizens at the grind of toil on the Lord's day. Over two millions of our people find no difference between Saturday and Sabbath as to work, while, but for the insatiate lust for gold, a majority of them might enjoy the appointed weekly rest. But the cause we wish to emphasize here and now is the conduct of many in the church itself with respect to the blessed day. There are professedly Christian homes, not a few, we fear, in which the sacred time is by no means guarded and held to its highest uses, as it was wont to be by the pious fathers and mothers of the past. An indifference is allowed as to church-going, as to the reading and conversation of the family, and especially as to how the afternoon and evening shall be spent, such as among Christians of repute was unknown a generation ago. This indifference, too, be it said, opens a wide door to Sabbath desecration in its every form, for the children or youth especially. It renders possible and often certain not only the incoming of the unholy Sunday newspaper, but also the bicycle run, the excursion, and the visiting of places of amusement in the latter part of the day.

Then, besides, is it not true that with multitudes in our churches conscience has so lost ground that secular literature, and business concerns, and visiting of friends, and travel by trolley or trains are

allowed without compunction or scruple, with serious loss of the spiritual benefits the Sabbath was designed to afford ?

With sorrow we say that all this is true, and, therefore, serious evil has grown even among ourselves within the Christian camp as to the holy day's observance. And we cannot forget the effect of this unfaithfulness in the church on the great world outside. In the words of the prophet, comfort is given to Sodom. The foes of God and of all his institutions take courage, are emboldened to make any use of the sacred day that their convenience, or malice, or service of the world and the flesh and Satan may require. Loud the call therefore, fathers and brethren, that we become alive to the thickening perils of the situation. The obligation lies upon us with greatest weight to labor with the membership of our churches that they allow no conformity to the world, no conduct that profanes or abuses the holy time given for God's glory and for man's eternal as well as temporal good. Let us pray and preach and toil for a gracious revival of conscientious, God-fearing piety within our borders, for an awakening that shall mean new life in Zion and salvation to multitudes who are now losing their souls, and because, with other sins, they keep not the Sabbath day holy. However, lest we should seem to accuse ourselves too severely, we remember with joy the host of ministers, elders and members of our churches who are not willing to do their own pleasure on the Lord's day, who are striving earnestly and nobly to maintain its sacredness in the home, in the community and in the nation at large.

We also rejoice because of the effective work done by such societies as the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance. These and kindred organizations are rendering valuable and, we may say, indispensable aid in solving the problem of Sabbath observance among us. The results of the past year's efforts on the part of these societies is very cheering.

We offer the following resolutions :

1. That we re-affirm our conviction that the law of the Sabbath is a law of perpetual, binding obligation upon all men.

2. That we call upon all members of our churches, members of Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools, together with all friends of God's law, to use their personal influence for Biblical observance of the day ; that we beseech them to abstain from the purchase and reading of the Sunday newspaper, from all use of the bicycle on the Sabbath for pleasure, from amusements of whatever kind, from unnecessary visiting ; in short, from all things not conducive to holiness of heart and life, and to be faithful to the means of grace and all religious duty on this holy day.

3. That we do most earnestly call upon parents and all heads of families to seek that the home on the sacred day shall be filled

with a religious atmosphere; that whatever tends to worldliness shall be excluded, and such employments and enjoyments obtain as shall lift the family into correspondence with the "bright things of heaven."

4. That we cordially recognize the very important work of such organizations as the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance, and bespeak for them sympathy, cooperation and financial aid, so far as possible, from our churches.

5. That while our pastors are by no means unmindful of their duty as to Sabbath Observance, they be affectionately called upon to put forth at this time unusual effort in behalf of the sacred day, greatly assailed as it is by the enemies of God and of all religion.

6. That the last Sabbath of September or another Sabbath as near that as convenient, be made a day when, in the pulpit, the Sabbath-school and the Young People's Societies, so far as possible Sabbath Observance be made the special subject of discourse, instruction and prayer

7. That these resolutions, and the entire report if convenient be read by pastors from their pulpits at an early date

GEORGE SWAIN,
Chairman.

XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee do not consider it necessary to recite the terrible evils of intemperance nor to offer resolutions re affirming assertions of the past, or endorsing action of the General Assembly. The pressing question is not the existence of the evil, but its remedy. Remedies may be sought in legislation, civil and ecclesiastical, and in the influence of word and example. The General Assembly and this Synod have repeatedly urged the duty of total abstinence for the sake of others and for our own personal safety. No profession, no age no environment can make the man safe who indulges in the use of intoxicating liquors. The percentage of personal risk is sufficiently high to make such indulgence criminal carelessness.

In the matter of civil law the problem presents the gravest difficulties. Our form of government and the variety of conditions in the different States, and in the different parts of the same State, have afforded opportunities to test all sorts of liquor laws. Often these laws have not been honestly enforced and frequently they have been amended or repealed before their effects could be determined. Large elements in these effects lie so far within the circle of personal life, that public statistics cannot justly represent them.

These statistics are often grossly misleading. In one city drunkenness will go unpunished ; in another, all drunkards are arrested. The statistics would indicate an ideal condition in the first city and a dreadful state of things in the last. The pressing need of the day in the legislative branch of temperance work is knowledge of the facts. Newspaper reports partisan statements and the observations of men who have theories to defend are worse than worthless. We rejoice in the investigation authorized by "The Committee of Fifty." The result has been published recently under the title of "The Liquor Problem." It is a step in the right direction. State prohibition has succeeded, at least in several of the States, in largely reducing the consumption of liquor and in entirely excluding the saloon from large areas. But even in these States it has failed conspicuously in the *larger* cities, and sometimes even in small towns. Its enforcement has invoked a degree of State supervision and detective work that is inconsistent with the spirit of American institutions. Evasions of the law and its open defiance increase with the increase of restrictions and reach their maximum in prohibition.

Local option, which is the approved method in many parts of the country, has the advantage of limiting the prohibition to the area in which public sentiment is in its favor. It has the disadvantage

of being exposed to the introduction of liquor from surrounding districts.

The license system or systems involve no less serious difficulties. Where the courts license, they subject the judiciary to corrupting influences. These influences increase when the judges are elected by the people. Many of the restrictions placed upon the traffic in the license system are good in theory, but worthless in practice. There is probably as much hypocrisy and perjury induced by the license system as by any form of prohibition, local or general. It was supposed that high license would prevent illicit selling and decrease the consumption. It has done neither. The man who has paid the high license has too much at stake to risk being himself prosecuted for some of the many violations of law common to all bar rooms and saloons, to attempt himself to prosecute those who are selling without license.

The South Carolina dispensary system is still an experiment. The constant change in many of the States, as in Iowa, where there is a clear majority in favor of prohibition, prove that no form of legislation has been entirely satisfactory. The long maintenance of prohibition in Maine proves that, notwithstanding its imperfect enforcement and grave incidental evils, it has accomplished good results in the opinion of those best able to judge, the people of the State. It does not follow that it would prove practicable in other States with other conditions.

In New Jersey, the proximity of two great cities to two of our counties, and the variety of our population, would indicate that some form of county local option would be best suited to our wants.

The present license system has failed to relieve us from the evils of drunkenness, and forms a dangerously corrupting force in the political life and judicial administration of the State.

The Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. That in the absence of laws prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, or a public sentiment to enforce them even if they be enacted, we endeavor to prepare for the same, as well as advance the cause of temperance, by moral suasion in public and private, in the pulpit and out of it, with young and old, male and female.

2. That we heartily unite with all fellow-citizens in earnest efforts to enforce the laws restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor, especially those relating to the Sabbath, the hours of night, minors, inebriates and ignorant, semi-civilized or savage peoples.

3. That we hail with delight the introduction of temperance physiology in our public schools, whereby 15,000,000 of children in this land are instructed as to the baneful effect of the abuses of

alcoholic beverages upon the system and especially the information that in this commonwealth of New Jersey the "law is enforced and doing well."

4. That we urge our universities, colleges and other institutions of learning to give prominence to this great social problem in the courses of study which they offer.

5. That we instruct our Presbyterial Committees to gather the facts in regard to the evils of intemperance and the measures used to alleviate them in their several Presbyteries, and to forward these facts to the Synod's Committee.

6. That this Synod has learned with profound grief of the sale of intoxicating liquor in the canteens in the army. We remonstrate against the practice, not only as subversive of the discipline and the health of the troops, but as ruinous to the morals of those young men, freely given by the homes of our country for the defense of our flag; and we most earnestly petition the President of the United States to exercise his power, if possible to close the canteen.

This action shall be communicated to the President by the Stated Clerk of the Synod.

J. DE HART BRUEN,
Chairman.

XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

After all its sincere and best endeavors in the past, the church to day is asking, with an anxious heart, how it may secure from its adherents enough money to do the work to which it is summoned. Your Committee understands that you look to it for aid towards the solving of this long-standing problem. It were a light task, soon performed and delightful in its doing, to report to Synod the financial element in our year's work were it not for the fact that our church is constantly handicapped by a lack of funds. No one, we think, can study the complete system which the church has adopted for carrying on the work of the Lord at home and abroad and not admire both its appropriateness and its sufficiency. Each agency has a distinct field, and, without friction, joins closely one upon the other, forming a beautifully harmonious plan, adequate under God's blessing to meet the spiritual necessities of a lost world! But God's people complain that these agencies, the Boards of the church, require too much money for their maintenance. The fact is they do require more than the people have yet given. And this is the difficulty that troubles every committee reporting the beneficent work of the church.

As to the people's ability, taken as a whole, to meet all the demands of our Boards and to add largely to their income, no one has any doubt. There are two phases of the question to be considered in solving the difficulty. One is to secure the willingness of the people to give, the other is to plan so that all that they are willing to give may be received. So soon as there shall be in the people a willing heart, and on the part of Sessions a wise method of receiving the people's offerings, the weary problem will have been solved. Till then, as in the past, our experience will be "labor and sorrow."

For years past this Committee has been pleading for the rallying of all the members in one grand joint effort to make the church offering, as such, as large as possible, thus magnifying and putting honor on the church, instead of the divisive plan of withholding from the church-offering in order to magnify and put honor on one or more of its societies. To such an extent has this evil grown that the Assembly's Committee has spent its effort, for two or three years, in seeking to secure either an offering from the church itself, in cases where it makes no showing except through its societies, or an enlarged gift on the part of the church in cases where it is represented by an offering. The report of the Assembly's Committee for the past year shows that only thirty-nine per cent. of the income for the benevolent work of our church is received through Sabbath

offerings in the churches. Table No. 7, in that report, shows, concerning church-offerings to our eight Boards, during the past year over 31,000 omissions, an average of more than four omissions for each one of our 7,635 churches. During the year 1896-'7, '1,392 churches sent *no* offering to any of the Boards; 1,098 made one offering during the year; 3,272 offerings reported by the Boards as church-offerings were for one dollar or less;" 1,064 churches sent an offering to each of the eight Boards. Over one half of the income of the Boards from church-offerings came from these churches, and yet over one-half of their offerings were for \$10 or less. It is evident that these churches in most cases take general offerings for benevolence and divide the aggregate among the Boards of the church, that not more than seventy five churches take distinct annual offerings for each Board.

Your Committee finds pleasure in setting before Synod this year a diminished list of Boards hampered by debt. It now stands :

Home Missions,	\$167,839 03
Education,	7,720 75
Freedmen,	58,062 50
Total,	<u>\$233,622 28</u>

The Foreign Mission Board, by curtailing its work to the extent of \$100,000, by an appeal to the missionaries themselves which brought a response of over \$10,500, and by securing larger contributions from some of the churches, succeeded in meeting its current expenses and in paying its debt. The Board of Relief for Disabled Ministers got from under its burden of debt by appropriating for this purpose unrestricted legacies, which heretofore it had added to its permanent fund. Thus over \$27,000 which otherwise would have been added to the permanent fund have been absorbed by present need.

With this scant review of the present attitude of our benevolent work, our interest is more deeply aroused to know the position of our own Synod in this connection. Our 331 churches are only a small fraction of the 7,635. Yet the Lord has graciously endowed us with an ability to give aid to His cause for which we must give account. It is a pleasure to discover that compared with ourselves or with our sister Synods, we stand in the advance. The following table shows that three of our Presbyteries have a complete record. In this respect our Synod stands alone. Corisco, our little African sister, has again filled every column, sending \$97 for the work of the church in the United States. Her vacant church and her churches manned by stated supplies are alike faithful with the one church that has a pastor. Surely this record should be a stimulus to every home Presbytery. Monmouth and New Brunswick, as

usual, fill every column. This can only be said of two other Presbyteries of our church, Butler and Westminster in the Synod of Pennsylvania. We dare venture the prediction that next year will find Elizabeth, our sister, without a blank. Newton, with only seven churches to bring into line, will probably also be written next year on this roll of honor. Of Elizabeth's five churches that fall short two have pastors, two have stated supplies and one a pastor-elect. The two having pastors number respectively 245 and 134 members. Nine of the blanks are opposite these two churches. Elder E. W. Barnes, who represents this Committee in that Presbytery, has manifested a zeal and faithfulness that can hardly fail of success.

(Blanks against chapels not counted.)

Presbyteries.	Churches.	Fill Every Column.	Blanks 1897.	Blanks 1898.	Increase.	Decrease.
Corisco,	11	11	. .	. .	. .	. .
Elizabeth,	33	28	30	29	. .	1
Jersey City,	33	16	94	90	. .	4
Monmouth,	48	48	. .	. .	. .	. .
Morris and Orange, . .	46	33	53	61	8	. .
Newark,	36	19	64	56	. .	8
New Brunswick, . . .	35	35	. .	. .	. .	. .
Newton,	34	27	21	28	7	. .
West Jersey,	55	38	149	123	. .	26
	<u>331</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>387</u>	. .	<u>24</u>

This table reveals a net gain of 24 columns over last year. A glance at the reports given in the Minutes of the General Assembly shows how easily the number of blanks could be greatly reduced. Churches which give large offerings to some of the Boards fail to give anything to certain other Boards.

An examination of the Minutes shows that fifty one churches having pastors have 171 blanks. Since the pastor's offering is usually credited to his church, it appears that fifty one of our pastors have omitted in their benefactions an average of more than *three* of our Boards. This Committee does not mean to be conscience for our ministerial brethren, neither dare we be for our lay brethren, but as we are expected to win their support for each of these Boards, may we not, without offence, in the very kindest spirit, ask our ministers to apportion at least some share of their benevolent offerings to each one of our beneficent enterprises, and thus, by their example, emphasize our appeals to the people. Your Committee has patiently borne the criticism of certain brethren who charge it with exhorting the churches to divide their gifts—put one dollar in each column and call it filled. The accusation is misplaced. New Brunswick Presbytery, which has long filled every

column, has never filled her columns with single dollars, except in the case of its colored, and one other feeble outpost church. But your Committee, without a blush, does ask each church that can do *no more*, to put in the single dollar. It will be no less precious than the two mites of the widow, in the eyes of Him who sits over against the treasury.

If single dollars had been substituted for the 31,000 omissions of church offerings during the past year, an average of over \$3,000 would have been added to the treasury of every Board of the church, including Synodical Home Missions. If the 4,000 churches which gave nothing the past year to Education had given a dollar each, the Board could have aided fifty more candidates for the ministry. If the 3,200 which gave nothing to the Board of Relief had each given one dollar, it would have more than paid fifteen annuities for the relief of our aged and needy brethren. One dollar apiece from the 3,200 which ignored the Freedmen would have more than paid off the mortgage which rests on one of the Board's buildings and forms part of the debt. In view of all which your Committee considers a dollar better than a blank.

The following table shows our total contributions as compared with last year :

	1897.	1898.	Gain	Loss.
Home Missions,	\$114,327	\$107,979	. . . .	\$6,348
Foreign Missions,	85,386	88,823	\$3,437	. . . .
Education,	13,878	11,298	. . . .	2,580
Sabbath school Work, . .	10,839	10,583	. . . .	256
Church Erection	12,428	13,820	1,392	. . . .
Relief Fund,	10,360	11,774	1,414	. . . .
Freedmen,	9,942	10,306	364
Synodical H. Miss., . . .	15,461	15,900	439
Aid for Colleges,	7,979	56 696	48,717
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	\$280,600	\$327,179	\$46,579
Miscellaneous,	57,762	46,147	11,615
Bible Society,	2,721	3,144	423
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Total Benevolence, . . .	\$341,083	\$376,470	\$35,387
Congregational,	903,632	902,241	1,391
General Assembly,	6,443	6,096	347
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Total Contributions, \$1,251,158		\$1,284 807	\$33,649

The above table shows a net gain in our benevolent gifts (for our own church work) of \$46,579, in our total benevolence a gain of \$35,387, and in our total contributions a net gain of \$33,649.

As last year, the Synod of New Jersey stands third in the amount given for benevolence, and easily holds first place in her per capita gifts :

Pennsylvania,	\$648,492
New York,	620,441
New Jersey,	327,179
Illinois,	184,017
Ohio,	175,704
New Jersey,	\$4 72 per member.
Baltimore,	3 81 " "
New York,	3 53 " "
Pennsylvania,	3 06 " "
Illinois,	2 73 " "
California,	2 65 " "
Oregon,	2 04 " "

Thus New Jersey's per capita gift exceeds Baltimore, the next highest, by 91 cents, New York by \$1.19, and Pennsylvania by \$1.66. We have naught wherein to boast, but standing thus well in the front we would thank God and take courage.

The table below, giving a summary of the relative gifts for the past two years, which went directly to our official treasuries, awakens a feeling of regret by showing that while a year ago we reported a gain of almost \$13,000, this year we report a loss of over \$10,000, and that less than forty-seven per cent. of our total benevolent offerings reached our treasuries :

	1897.	1898.	Gain.	Loss.
Home Missions,	\$62,410	\$52,302	. . .	\$10,108
Foreign Missions,	73,715	70,661	. . .	3,054
Education,	4,638	4,455	. . .	183
Sabbath school Work,	7,202	7,526	\$324	. . .
Church Erection,	4,909	4,946	37	. . .
Relief Fund,	7,926	9,709	1,783	. . .
Freedmen,	6,336	6,910	574	. . .
Synodical Home Missions,	15,461	15,900	439	. . .
Aid for Colleges,	3,387	3,502	115	. . .
	<u>\$185,984</u>	<u>\$175,911</u>	. . .	<u>\$10,073</u>

The Assembly's Committee reports 82 of our churches as making no church offering this year for Home Missions; 52 none for Foreign Missions; 85 none for Education; 133 none for Sabbath-school Work; 80 none for Church Erection; 61 none for Ministerial Relief; 74 none for Freedmen; 114 none for College Board. Of the \$70,661 given to the Treasury of the Board of Foreign Missions \$23,062 were contributed by the Women's Societies. In Monmouth Presbytery the gifts of the Women's Societies exceed the church offerings both to Home and Foreign Missions.

The forward movement undertaken on behalf of Foreign Missions promises a large increase of funds for this Board the present year. Since January 1st, thirteen of our churches have each pledged the support of a missionary. In this enterprise Newton at present is the banner Presbytery. Five of her churches—Belvidere, 1st, Blairstown, Hackettstown, Newton and Washington, are all on the list. Next comes Morris and Orange with three—Dover, 1st, Orange, Central and Summit. Next Monmouth with two—Cranbury, 1st, and Freehold. Cranford church represents Elizabeth; Haddonfield, West Jersey; Trenton, Prospect St., New Brunswick. These thirteen churches thus advance on their gifts of the previous year an aggregate of \$5,916.

Two members of the Haddonfield church furnish \$850 for the support of a missionary in addition to the one pledged by the church. In like manner, in three other churches individuals take a missionary of their own. Thus so far the support of 17 missionaries is pledged within our Synod.

For the fiscal year ending October 1st, our gifts for Synodical Home Missions were 16,721 97, a gain over last year of \$108.08, yet lacking \$693.42 of the amount asked by Synod. He who has led us hitherto in this work has been called to a higher, larger field of kindred labor. The Synod commends him, as a brother beloved, to the confidence of the whole church, and with a warm heart bids him God speed in his effort to advance the cause of Home Missions.

Having said our good-bye, we turn to his successor in office, and, with a face full of good cheer and a hearty hand shake, we give him the welcome of an honest heart. The loyalty with which we responded to the appeals of the genial Dixon we pledge to the no less genial and persuasive Cobb. Let every church gird itself for the continued success of this important enterprise.

We present for Synod's adoption the following recommendations :

1. We recommend our ministers and elders to renew their acquaintance with the VIth Chapter of our Directory for Worship, and after a careful and devout study of the same to adopt the directions therein given so far as may be practicable in their churches.

2. That all our ministers and so far as possible our elders, carefully examine the report made to the last General Assembly by its Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence, with a view to the adoption of any of its suggestions which may seem an improvement on present methods of collecting offerings for our benevolent work.

3. Inasmuch as the Assembly has ordered the suspension of the publications 'The Church at Home and Abroad' and the present 'Assembly Herald' at the close of this calendar year, and has arranged for a new church publication in their stead, to be called "The Assembly Herald," to begin January 1st, 1899, we promise

our loyalty to the experiment, and request all our ministers and elders to give the effort their sympathy, and use their best endeavors to secure the circulation of the new magazine among their people.

4. Seeing that Corisco, our Presbytery in Africa, and the Presbyteries of Monmouth and New Brunswick succeed, from year to year, in securing an offering from every church for each of our Boards, we commend the movement to the earnest consideration of our other Presbyteries. Let all our ministers, as pastors, stated supplies, or moderators of Sessions of vacant churches, by appeal and example, make an earnest effort to reduce the blanks in our benevolent reports to a minimum. Synod's confidence in her ministers' ability and in her people's loyalty gives her assurance of a great advance in this direction.

5. Synod commends to all ministers and elders the adoption of some form of pledge subscription and envelope system as a method of gathering benevolent funds, as worthy of their sincere consideration. Where the method in use is not fully satisfactory, a faithful trial of the envelope plan is recommended.

THOMAS S. LONG,
Chairman.

XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULA- TIONS.

Your Committee on Work Among Foreign Populations would respectfully report as follows :

The *Presbytery of Elizabeth* has under its care three German churches, with a total membership of 297 ; 31 were received last year on examination. The Sunday school membership is 415. We are sorry to note a considerable falling off in the membership of both church and Sunday school, probably, however, to be accounted for by a more careful pruning of the rolls.

Presbytery of Jersey City reports three German churches, with 241 members ; 15 added on examination. The Sunday-school membership is 365, a decrease of 80 from last report.

Presbytery of Monmouth reports 2 German churches, with 139 members ; 29 were added on examination. Sunday-school membership, 252, a slight increase over last year.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange has 4 German churches under its care, with a membership of 415, of which 42 were added on examination. Sunday-school membership, 460 ; a gratifying increase in both church and Sunday school work. Efforts are made, with more or less success, to reach the Italians in Orange, Madison and Morristown. The same is also true of the churches in Trenton, Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Presbytery of Newark reports 6 German churches, with a membership of 842 ; added on examination, 134. Sabbath school membership, 1718, an increase over last report of 430. An Italian church, also is in vigorous condition, with 114 members, of which number 23 were added on examination during the year. The Sabbath-school numbers 187.

Presbytery of West Jersey contains 2 German churches, with 147 members, and a Sabbath school membership of 172 ; 36 were added to the churches on examination.

This Presbytery also has under its care an Italian church at Hamonton with 30 members, and a Sabbath school of 78.

The Italian house of worship has been paid for, chiefly by Presbytery, the people themselves being very poor. The pastor of this church, Mr. Fragali, reports great encouragement in his work, the attendance on both church and Sunday-school increasing. Plans are under way for a night school where instruction in Italian and English will be given, and also a sewing and singing school for the women and girls.

The Presbytery of West Jersey is also carrying on a Mission among the Jews in the Jewish colonies of Rosenhayn and Carmel.

A missionary, Mr. Philip Sidersky, has been employed, supported by voluntary offerings of friends of the work. The headquarters of the Mission are in a house midway between the two Jewish colonies, where a room is constantly open, with Bibles, in Hebrew or Jargon, papers, in English, and other suitable books and reading-matter. A Jewish family resides in the house, to which some of the Jews come under pretense of visiting the family, and in this way Mr. Sidersky has opportunity for conversing with those whom he might not otherwise be able to reach. While as yet no converts to the Christian faith are reported, much has been done in removing prejudice and opposition. It is, at best, a work full of peculiar difficulties. Our missionary brother and his work needs and deserves the sympathy and practical aid not only of the churches of the Presbytery but of the friends of Jewish evangelization throughout the whole Synod. One elder has generously contributed \$100 to the support of the work.

In conclusion, your Committee would express renewed confidence in the efforts made to reach these foreign peoples with the pure gospel. It is certainly most gratifying to note the goodly number (312) added on examination to the twenty German and two Italian churches connected with Synod—an average of fifteen to each church. We commend to the pastors and elders of Synod the increasing opportunities in all parts of our field, for work among our foreign population.

ALBERT ERDMAN,
Chairman.

XVI.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material respectfully report to the Synod of New Jersey that the following material has been deposited upon the Synod's shelves during the past year :

From the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

Catto's Semi Centenary History of the First African Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. For the agency of Archibald Alexander, D.D., see page 42. &c.

Set of "The Synod," containing five copies.

Newark Morning Register, October 20th, 1877, reporting session of Synod in the case of Rev I. M. See.

From the Hon. Ashbel Green, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

Papers discovered among the papers of his grandfather, Rev. Aslibel Green, D.D.

Long letter four-pages folio, from Hugh Knox to Jacob Green, October 16th, 1766, contains discussion of qualifications for baptism, and Calvinistic doctrines.

Long letter, over ten pages, dated Saba August 29th, 1768, a very kind discussion of hard doctrines, addressed to Jacob Green from Hugh Knox.

Letter from Benjamin Cooper, dated Hibernia Furnace, April 6th, 1769, requesting an interview.

Letter from Jedediah Chapman.

Letter from Peter Fish, dated Newark Mountains, March 16th, 1780, asking advice as to his duty to settle at Newark, and inclosing a lottery ticket.

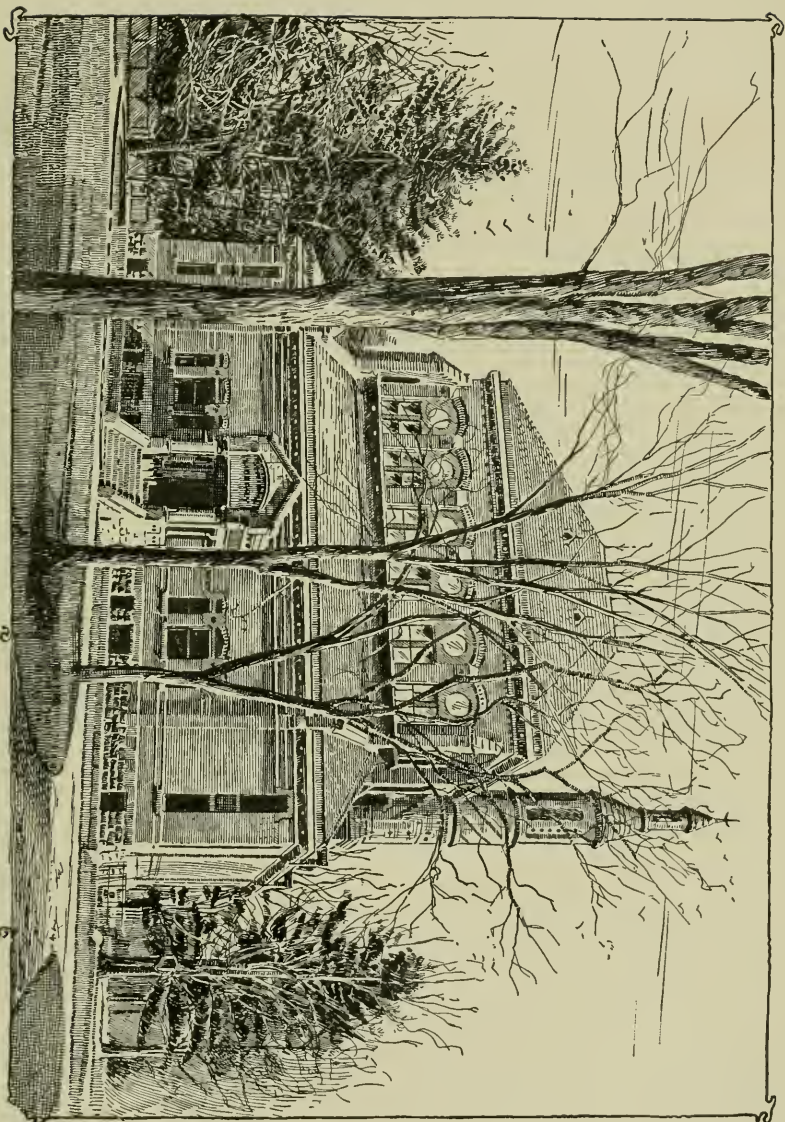
Notes of an address on instruction and discipline of the children of the church, as he has aimed to do above thirty years and found difficulty therein. (On the back of the three preceding. 178?)

Letter from A. Lewis to Jacob Green, dated Florida, October 16th, 1783, as to securing a meeting of the Presbytery of Morris County.

Letter from J. Green to Mr. Elmer, dated Hanover, March 24th, 1784, protesting against the policy of non intercourse with the Presbytery of Morris County. now grown from four to ten ordained ministers, besides three or four candidates.

Letter of A. Lewis to Jacob Green, dated Florida, April 27th, 1785, concerning Mr. Shepard, Mr. Bradnor, and especially a Mr. Greene and his labors at Deer Park.

A paper without signature or date: "What we have against the Synod in their assuming a power that does not belong to them in sundry particulars," and suggesting the formation of voluntary Associate Presbyteries.



LENOX LIBRARY, PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, WHERE THE SYNOD'S HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS ARE DEPOSITED.

Minutes of the Presbytery of Morris County, at Hanover, May 29th, 1782, and other papers.

Minutes of the Presbytery at Rockaway, October 30th and 31st, 1787. Names given as follows :

PRESENT.	ABSENT.
<i>Ministers—</i>	<i>Ministers—</i>
Jacob Green,	Benoni Bradner,
Amzi Lewis,	Ebenezer Bradford,
Joseph Grover,	William Bradford,
Silas Constant,	Joshua Spalding,
David Baldwin.	John Cornwell,
	Zachariah Greene,
<i>Delegates—</i>	Also
Benjamin Hoel,	Jabez Culver,
Elias Cornelius.	<i>Correspondent.</i>

From Elders James H. Elmer and Samuel H. Williams, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

Original deeds and other papers relative to the church and graveyard property of the Presbyterian Church in Fairfield (Cohanzy).

Lease, June 9th, 1747, three acres on which public meeting-house is erected.

Parchment indenture, March 14th, 1775, two and one sixteenth acres, whereon to build a meeting house.

Parchment deed, August 8th, 1800, one and three fourths acres, to enlarge churchyard.

Deed, April 18th, 1758, one hundred and fifty acres in Sayres Neck.

Deed, October 17th, 1757, to Trustees, one hundred and fifty acres, for support of Rev. William Ramsey and his successors, ministering to a people from New England, accepting the Westminster Standards during the contest between Old Side and New Side.

Deed, October 24th, 1810, three acres, to Trustees.

Deed, April 2d, 1816, one and eighty two hundredths acres, to Trustees.

Surveyor's maps of Cohanzy graveyard and Old Stone churchyard.

List of elders, 1755 to 1880.

From Lewis Howell, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

Family record of Charles Beatty, of Log College, containing account of Rev. Enoch Green and other ministers.

From Samuel H. Williams, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

Letter concerning oak tree under which Whitefield preached, at Cohanzy.

From the Rev. George W. Tomson :

In Memoriam, Rev. Alexander Proudfit, D.D., by Rev. George W. Tomson.

From the Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D. :

Minutes of the Committees on Benevolence and Finance and Church Extension, Presbytery of Elizabeth, 1871 to 1875.

The Springtime of Life, Rev. David Magie, D.D., 1855.

Notes on Elizabethtown, Rev. Nicholas Murray, 1844.

Sermon by Rev. David Magie D.D., 1835.

Historical discourses, church manuals, &c., as follows :

Kingwood, Henry Race, M.D.

Third Church, Elizabeth, 1871.

First Church, Plainfield, Rev. Lewis Bond, 1851.

First Church, Plainfield, 1897.

Connecticut Farms, Rev. Robert Street, 1876.

Freehold, 1891.

From the Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley D.D. :

Retrospect, a sermon on the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the ministry, October 11th, 1847.

From the Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D D :

The inauguration of William Lyne Wilson LL. D. as President of Washington and Lee University September 5th, 1897.

From the family of the late Rev. Jesse B. Davis, D D., through the Rev. Thomas Tyack, D.D. :

Thanksgiving sermon, Bound Brook, Rev. Ravaud K. Rogers, D.D., 1861.

Sermon, Rev. Villeroy D Reed, D.D., Camden, 1865.

Historical sermon, United First Church, Amwell, Rev. Jacob Kirkpatrick, D.D, 1860.

Report of Committee on Marriages, 1886.

From the Rev. Heber H. Beadle :

Historical sketch, Cape Island, Cape May, Presbyterian Church, 1898.

The Custodians desire to call the attention of the Synod to the fact that from time to time books, pamphlets, and other material of historical value, which cannot be obtained by gift, find their way into the old book stores and other channels of trade, from which they should be gathered for preservation among the Synod's collections. The Custodians venture to suggest that they be authorized to draw upon the treasury for not more than ten dollars per year. for such purchases, and to report the same to the Synod.

WALTER A. BROOKS,

JOSEPH H. DULLES,

Custodians.

XVII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE
ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS AND THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON RAISING FUNDS
FOR THE ERECTION OF THE PRESBYTE-
RIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT.

TO THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY, AT ASBURY PARK, OCTOBER
20TH, 1898.

The chief work of your Historical and Joint Committees, during the Synodical year, has been to secure the funds required to erect the Presbyterian Historical Monument, in Monmouth county. At its last meeting, the Synod committed the privilege of raising this money to the chairman of this Committee, and commended him to the churches. He has found it a pleasant task, because of the voluntary response in very many cases, the hearty co-operation of other members of this Committee and of the special committees appointed by the Presbyteries; and in all this we acknowledge the favor of Divine Providence.

Early in the year the first efforts were to prepare the way through the religious papers of our own church and the secular press of New Jersey. Circulars and letters were issued, and were not in vain. Special appeal was made by letter, and sometimes by personal visitation, to the Presbyteries in New Jersey, with the suggestion that if four Presbyteries would undertake to raise each *one* hundred and fifty dollars and the other four Presbyteries each *two* hundred and fifty dollars the whole amount needed would be secured. All of them adopted favorable resolutions, and most of them appointed committees who have acted with more or less efficiency. The Presbytery of Philadelphia, also, and the Council of the Presbyterian Historical Society adopted resolutions commendatory.

While the *Synod of New Jersey* has a special interest in the work, because it possesses and protects the ground where the first Presbytery met (of which we have authentic minutes), yet the constituency of this historical monument extends as far as the Presbyterian Church extends. Why should we not add to the monument the seal of the Southern Presbyterian Church and the seal of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, since they proceeded out from the same fountain as ourselves? Have not we all one ecclesiastical mother?

Widely scattered *voluntary* contributions have come from Connecticut, New York, Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Michigan, Louisiana and Texas.

So far as a classification and summary of contributions by Presbyteries in New Jersey can now be made,

Newton has in hand,	\$106 55
New Brunswick (apportioned to churches \$250,) paid,	75 00
Morris and Orange has paid,	85 00
Elizabeth Presbytery has paid,	121 00
Jersey City pledged \$150, has paid,	115 00
Monmouth has paid,	162 75
West Jersey has paid,	209 50
Newark Presbytery has paid,	250 00
The total receipts from all sources are,	\$1,081 94
The expenditures (chiefly for printing and postage) have been,	68 10

Leaving a cash balance of, \$1,013 84
Of which \$1,006.94 are deposited in the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company, drawing three per cent. interest.

With such progress and with a favorable prospect that the remaining one-third will be secured quite as easily as the first two-thirds have been, your Committee believe that the time has come to make a contract for material, so that it may be wrought out in Scotland and Ireland during the approaching winter, and that the monument may be erected and completed in the early summer of 1899, and submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Joint Committee be continued and that it be authorized, through its Executive Committee, to proceed to the erection of the monument whenever the way is perfectly clear.

ALLEN H. BROWN,
DAVID R. FRAZER,
JOHN C. CLYDE,
EBEN B. COBB,
HENRY C. CAMERON,
CHARLES HERR,
JAMES STEEN,
GEORGE SWAIN,
FRANK R. SYMMES,
R. PERRINE CRAIG,

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
STANLEY WHITE,
E. P. TENNEY,
GEORGE BAKER,
C. E. HALL, M. D.,
JEREMIAH BAKER,
CYRUS PECK,
FRANKLIN DYE,
HENRY D. MOORE,
J. C. JOHNSON, M.D.,

Joint Committee.



The names of Rev. John Hampton and Elder Walter Ker will appear on the third and fourth sides.

PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT.

XVIII.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey have not had a year of unusual eventfulness. They have held their regular annual meeting in the city of Newark on the second Monday of October, and a special meeting at Asbury Park during the session of this Synod; they have transacted such business as has come up before them; but they have little to relate which is unusual in its nature, and not much which is calculated to give interest to an elaborate report.

It may be known to the Synod that the Trustees have in their hands two funds—the so called Holmes Fund of \$725, which they are administering in the interest of the Forked River church, in the Presbytery of Monmouth, and the Wurtz Legacy of \$525, which they are administering in the interest of the Brainerd church, in the Presbytery of West Jersey. These funds, which for several years have been united and invested upon property in Newark—under the title of the Kane mortgage—have now returned to the hands of the Trustees, the Kane mortgage, with interest in full, having been paid on August 1st 1898, and the lump sum of \$1,250 is now deposited in the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company awaiting a better investment. The money is now drawing interest at the rate of three per cent.

Your Trustees would further report that on November 18th, 1897, Joseph Alward, Esq, an elder in the First Church of Elizabeth, and for six years a faithful and efficient fellow trustee, departed this life in the seventieth year of his age. And they would venture to nominate as his successor Mr. Hugh H. Hamill of Trenton.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EBEN. B. COBB,
President.

XIX.—REPORT OF ALLEN H. BROWN, TREASURER
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF NEW
JERSEY.

FROM OCTOBER 11TH, 1897, TO OCTOBER 10TH, 1898.

DR.

1897.			
Oct.	11.	To balance in Trust Company,	\$35 74
Dec.	31.	To accrued interest in Trust Company, . . .	1 05
1898.			
March	10.	To E. C. Harris, interest on Kane mortgage,	31 25
Aug.	2.	To E. C. Harris, interest on Kane mortgage in full,	26 04
Aug.	29.	To E. C. Harris, account Kane Mortgage, paid up in full,	1,250 00
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			\$1,344 08

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1898.			
March 10th and August 8th.		By payments to the Church of Forked River,	\$32 70
March 12th and August 8th.		By payments to Brainerd Church's stated supply,	24 59
October 10.		By balance,	1,286 79
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			\$1,344 08
1898.			
October 10.		Balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company,	\$1,286 79

The Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod further reports that he has in the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company a separate account for the Presbyterian Historical Monument, and drawing three per cent. interest at this date, October 19th, the sum of \$1,006.94.

The above report of accounts has been examined and found to be correct.

Asbury Park, N. J., October 19th, 1898.

STANLEY WHITE,
DAVID R. HULL,
W. W. CASSELBERRY,
S. A. VAN DERVEER,

Finance Committee.

XX.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

EBEN. B. COBB, TREASURER, *In account with the Synod of New Jersey.*

DR.

To balance from previous account,	\$597 75
“ advertising,	20 00
“ apportionments from eight Presbyteries,	430 00
	\$1,047 75

CR.

By janitor's bill, Plainfield,	\$10 00
“ salaries for year ending October 1st, 1898,	160 00
“ expenses of Trustees of Synod	10 85
“ expenses of Officers of Synod,	8 51
“ printing of Minutes of 1897,	246 49
“ binding minutes,	2 00
“ catalogue bags, &c.,	2 06
“ balance on hand October 1st, 1898,	607 84
	\$1,047 75

EBEN. B. COBB,
Treasurer.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Oct. 1st, 1898.

We have examined the above report and found it to be correct.

STANLEY WHITE,
W. W. CASSELBERRY,
DAVID R. HULL,
S. A. VAN DERVEER,
Finance Committee.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., October 18th 1898.

XXI.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of fourteen ministers, of whom four are natives, and eleven churches, six of which are supplied by natives, and has under its care three licentiates and eight candidates, all natives.

Licensure—

December 11, 1897, Eduma.

Ministers received—

December 6, 1897, Rev. Smith Gardner Dunning, from the Presbytery of Winona.

December 6, 1897, Rev. Frederick G. Knauer, from the Presbytery of Ozark.

ROBERT HAMILL NASSAU,
Stated Clerk.

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-nine ministers and thirty three churches, and has under its care two local evangelists and eight candidates for the ministry.

Ministers received—

April 19, 1898, Rev. Henry Merle Mellen, from the Classis of Newark.

July 7, 1898, Rev. Charles F. A. Klein, D.D., from the Classis of Pleasant Prairie.

Dismissed—

February 21, 1898, Rev. George B. Van Dyke, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

March 4, 1898, Rev. Ernest L. Walz, to the Presbytery of Holston.

October 4, 1898, Rev. James R. Gibson, to the Presbytery of Newark.

Ordained—

July 7, 1898, Mr. Charles B Condit.

Deceased—

September 2, 1898, Rev. Thomas Heywood, aged sixty five years.

Installed—

June 16, 1898, Rev. Henry M. Mellen, at Lamington.

July 7, 1898, Rev. Charles B. Condit, at Liberty Corner.

Pastoral dissolutions—

February 21, 1898, Rev. George B. Van Dyke and the church at Perth Amboy.

April 19, 1898, Rev. Henry A. MacKubbin and Westminster Church, Elizabeth.

Licenses renewed—

- April 19, 1898, William B. Hamilton, as local evangelist for one year.
 October 19, 1898, Robert M. Honeyman, as local evangelist for one year.

Licentiate received—

- July 7, 1898, Mr. Charles B. Condit, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Licentiate dismissed—

- October 4, 1898, Mr. Victor H. Lukens, to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

Candidates received—

- October 4, 1898, Mr. Walter B. Greenway, from the Presbytery of Holston.
 October 4, 1898, Mr. Ernest R. Brown, by examination.
 October 4, 1898, Mr. John A. Liggett, Jr., by examination.

Candidate dismissed—

- April 20, 1898, Mr. J. Herbert McConnell, to the Presbytery of Cayuga.

SAMUEL PARRY,
Stated Clerk.

III.—THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of forty-seven ministers and thirty four churches, and has under its care one licentiate and two candidates.

Ministers received—

- June 7, 1897 Rev. George Donaldson, from the Presbytery of North River.
 October 4, 1898 Rev. Charles I. Junkin, from the Presbytery of New York.
 October 4 1898, Rev. Eugene A. Johnson, from the Congregational Association, of Washington, D. C.

Ministers dismissed—

- April 19, 1898, Rev. John A. MacIntosh, to the Presbytery of Champlain.
 October 4, 1898, Rev. Frederick M. Cutler, to the Congregational Association of Plankinton, South Dakota.

Minister's name erased—

- February 1, 1898, Rev. James Fells, of Englewood.

Pastor emeritus—

- April 19, 1898, Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.

Pastoral relation dissolved—

April 19, 1898, Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., and the church of Rutherford.

Candidate ordained—

June 8, 1898, Frederick M. Cutler.

Installed—

November 4, 1897, Rev. Arthur N. Thompson, D.D., as pastor of the Westminster Church, of Jersey City.

Churches organized—

November 18, 1897, First, Woodridge.

April 28, 1898, West Side Church, of Englewood.

GEORGE R. GARRETSON,
Stated Clerk.

IV.—THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH consists of fifty-eight ministers and forty eight churches, and has under its care three licentiates.

Ministers received—

December 14 1897, Rev. Geo. W. S. Wenrick, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

April 12, 1898, Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, from the Presbytery of Allegheny.

April 12, 1898, Rev. William N. Ritchie, D.D., from the Presbytery of Westchester.

June 15, 1898, Rev. Samuel D. Price, from the Presbytery of Newark.

September 27, 1898, Rev. Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

October 19, 1898, Rev. Benjamin D. Wyckoff, from the Presbytery of Lodiana, India.

Ordinations—

November 30, 1897, Joseph Gaston Symmes.

May 18, 1898, Eugene M. Vannote.

May 20, 1898, Lester M. Conrow.

Ministers dismissed—

April 12, 1898, Rev. Walter H. Semple to the Presbytery of Zacatecas Mexico.

April 12, 1898 Rev. Richard M. Hodge, to the Presbytery of East Hanover, Va.

September 27, 1898, Rev. William L. Roberts, to the Presbytery of Minneapolis.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

September 27 1898 Rev. Wm. L. Roberts and the churches of Cream Ridge and New Egypt.

September 27, 1898, Rev. J. Edgar Franklin and the church of South Amboy.

Licenses—

April 13, 1898, Eugene M. Vannote, Lester M. Conrow.

Licentiate received—

October 19, 1898, Robert P. Howie from Presbytery of the Church of England.

Ministers deceased—

December 20, 1897, Rev. Daniel Deruelle.

December 23, 1897, Rev. George W. Cottrell.

Installations—

November 30, 1897, Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, as pastor of the churches of Jacksonville and Providence.

December 14, 1897, Rev. George W. S. Wenrick, as pastor of the church of Atlantic Highlands.

April 22, 1898, Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, as pastor of the church of Jamesburg.

May 18, 1898, Rev. Eugene M. Vannote, as pastor of the church of Tuckerton.

June 15, 1898, Rev. Samuel D. Price, as pastor of the church of Shrewsbury.

Church dissolved—

April 12, 1898, church at Chatsworth.

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,

Stated Clerk.

V.—THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of sixty five ministers and forty six churches and has four candidates under its care.

Ministers received—

February 17, 1898, H. Preston McHenry, from the Presbytery of Newton.

April 12, 1898, Horace D. Sassaman, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

June 21, 1898, James F. Riggs, D.D., from General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Candidates received—

January 18, 1898, James B. Cochran, on examination.

April 12, 1898, Charles E. Voegelin, from Presbytery of New York.

September 20 1898, Clarence Streubel, on examination.

Installations—

- February 17, 1898, H. Preston McHenry, at German Valley.
 May 18, 1898, H. D. Sassaman, at Parsippany.
 June 24, 1898, James F. Riggs, D.D., at Brick Church, East Orange.
 July 1, 1898, S. J. McClenaghan, at Elmwood, East Orange.
 September 28, 1898, R. M. Ramsay, at Vailsburg.

Ministers dismissed—

- February 17, 1898, Wm. J. Mewhinney, to Presbytery of Newton.
 June 21, 1898, John R. Fisher, to Presbytery of Newark.

Licentiate dismissed—

- June 21, 1898, C. B. Condit, to Presbytery of Elizabeth.

Churches organized—

- February 9, 1898, First Church of Vailsburg.
 April 22d, 1898, Elmwood Church, of East Orange.

Ministers deceased—

- David McGee Bardwell, June 1, 1898.
 W. W. Holloway, September 19, 1898.

STANLEY WHITE,
Stated Clerk.

VI.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of fifty-eight ministers and thirty-six churches, and has under its care six licentiates and twelve candidates.

Ministers received.

- March 1st 1898. Rev. John H. Locklier, from the Presbytery of Chester.
 March 1st, 1898, Rev. Sartell Prentice, Jr., from the Classis of Raritan, Reformed Church of America.
 May 11, 1898, Rev. John A. Higgons, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.
 September 26, 1898, Rev. John R. Fisher, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Minister's name placed on the roll which had been dropped by mistake—

- February 2, 1898, Rev. Caleb C. Baldwin, D.D.

Ministers dismissed—

- October 20, 1897, Rev. William A. Lynch, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 December 21, 1897, Rev. S. Edward Young, to the Presbytery of Pittsburgh.
 April 6, 1898, Rev. Chas. T. Berry, to the Presbytery of Brooklyn.
 June 1, 1898, Rev. Samuel D. Price, to Presbytery of Monmouth.

September 26, 1898, Rev. Curtis E. Long, to Presbytery of North River.

October 5, 1898, Rev. Norman B. Harrison, to Presbytery of Fargo.

Ordinations sine titulo—

May 17, 1898, Mr. Norman B. Harrison.

Licenses—

April 6, 1898, Messrs. Geo. Wacker, Wm. J. Kern, Lewis Holden.

May 11, 1898, Mr. Theodore Hahn.

October 5, 1898, Mr. Louis Nickse.

Licentiate dismissed—

February 2, 1898, Mr. Fred. Stoebener to Wartburg Synod.

October 5, 1898, Mr. Louis Nickse, to Presbytery of Brooklyn.

Candidates received on examination—

October 5, 1898, Messrs. Herbert Ure, Stillman Leiss, — Scheld.

Church organized—

October 29, 1897, Manhattan Park, German, at Newark, N. J.

Installations—

October 6, 1897, Rev. Richard E. Locke, as pastor of Wickliffe Church, Newark.

March 3, 1898 Rev. Sartell Prentice, Jr., as pastor of Fifth Avenue Church, Newark.

March 9, 1898, Rev. John H. Locklier, as pastor of Plane Street Church, Newark.

May 17, 1898, Rev. John A. Higgons, as pastor of Central Church, Newark.

June 10, 1898, Rev. Otto H. Dietrich, as pastor of Manhattan Park German Church, Newark.

Pastoral relation dissolved—

December 21, 1897, between the Rev. S. Edward Young and the Central Church, Newark.

Candidate dismissed—

June 1, 1898, Hervey A. Onque, to Presbytery of Chester.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,
Stated Clerk.

VII.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of sixty-nine ministers, thirty-five churches and one chapel, and has under its care fifteen licentiate and forty-seven candidates.

Ministers received from other Presbyteries—

January 25, 1898, Rev. Hartley T. Updike, from Presbytery of New Albany.

September 20, 1898, Rev. Isaac M. Patterson, from Presbytery of Northumberland

October 19, 1898, Rev. Albert Reid, from Presbytery of West Jersey.

Minister received from another denomination—

April 26, 1898 Rev. Henry E. Hibshman, from Classis of Carlisle.

Ordinations sine titulo—

May 10, 1891, Demeter N. Furnajieff.

July 6, 1898, 1898, Vincent Serafini.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

December 6, 1897, Rev. George W. S. Wenrick, with Kirkpatrick Memorial.

January 25, 1898, Rev. Horace D. Sassanian, with Alexandria First to take effect January 30.

April 12, 1898, Rev. Dr. James Roberts, with Lambertville church.

June 28 1898, Rev. D. Ruby Warne, with Kingston Church, to take effect September 1.

September 20, 1898, Rev. Dr. John Dixon, with Trenton First Church, to take effect September 25.

Ordination and installation—

July 7, 1898, William I. Campbell, ordained and installed pastor of Kirkpatrick Memorial Church.

Installations only—

May 12, 1898, Henry E. Hibshman, pastor of Alexandria First Church.

September 1, 1898, Rev. D. Ruby Warne, pastor of Ewing Church.

Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries—

December 6, 1897, Rev. George W. S. Wenrick, to Presbytery of Monmouth.

January 25, 1898, Rev. Horace D. Sassaman, to Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

January 25, 1898, Rev. Dr. Horace G. Hinsdale to Presbytery of Monmouth.

June 28, 1898 Rev. Dr. James Roberts, to Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

Name dropped from the roll—

November 11, 1897, Rev. Dr. Charles W. Shields.

Church organized—

September 12, 1898, Walnut Avenue Presbyterian Church, Trenton.

Licentiate received from other Presbyteries—

April 26, 1898, Chojuro Aoki, from Presbytery of Nan-I-Wa, Japan.

June 28, 1898, Vincent Serafini, from Presbytery of Lehigh.

Candidate received under care of Presbytery on examination—

April 26, 1898, Frederic P. Mudge.

Licensures—

January 25, 1898, Ira McConaughy.

April 26, 1898, Charles Clay Bradford, William I. Campbell, Walter Brown Cooke, Demeter N. Furnajieff, Edward Reed Laughlin, William Roderic McKay, Henry Buck Master, William Clarence Murdock.

May 10, 1898, James Meban and Alexander Smith.

Licentiates dismissed to other Presbyteries—

September 21, 1897, Alexander McGaffin, to Presbytery of Schuyler.

January 25, 1898, Ira McConaughy, to Presbytery of Nebraska City.

June 6, 1898, James Meban and Alexander Smith to Presbytery of Winnipeg, Canada.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,
Stated Clerk.

VIII.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of forty ministers and thirty-four churches, and has under its care nine candidates.

Ministers received—

January 18, 1898, Rev. Edward Snyder, from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

January 18 1898 Rev. Phineas B. Kennedy, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

April 13, 1898, Rev. William J. Mewhinney, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Ministers dismissed—

January 18, 1898, Rev. H. Preston McHenry, to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

October 4, 1898, Rev. George B. Crawford, to the Presbytery of Detroit.

October 4, 1898, Rev. Albert L. Kelly, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

Pastoral relations constituted—

October 13, 1897. Rev. William Hollinshed, installed pastor of the Church of Sparta.

January 25, 1898, Rev. Phineas B. Kennedy, installed pastor of the Church of Asbury.

May 5, 1898, Rev. William J. Mewhinney, installed pastor of the church of Andover.

July 19, 1898, Rev. John G. Addy, installed pastor of the church of Yellow Frame.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

January 18, 1898, Rev. H. Preston McHenry, with the church of Andover, to take effect the same day.

April 13th, 1898, Rev. George H. S. Campbell, D.D., with the Second Church of Mansfield, to take effect July 1st, 1898.

June 21, 1898, Rev. Albert L. Kelly, with the churches of Delaware and Knowlton, to take effect September 1st, 1898.

October 5, 1898, Rev. A. MacShannon Higgins, with the Second Church of Wantage, to take effect October 9th, 1898.

Candidate received—

April 12, 1898, Edwin Dodge Hardin, on examination.

Candidate dismissed—

April 13, 1898, Danforth S. Todd, to the care of the Presbytery of Erie.

Candidate licensed—

April 12, 1898, Edwin Dodge Hardin.

Licentiate received—

June 21, 1898, John G. Addy, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

Licentiate dismissed—

June 21, 1898, Edwin Dodge Hardin, to the Presbytery of Niagara.

Licentiate ordained—

July 19, 1898, John G. Addy.

E. CLARKE CLINE,
Stated Clerk.

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of sixty-two ministers and fifty-five churches, and has under its care five candidates.

Ministers received—

April 20, 1898, George B. Van Dyke, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

April 20, 1898, George L. Van Alen, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

May 9, 1898, George L. Smith, from the Presbytery of Westminster.

May 9, 1898, William H. Fishburn, D.D., from the Presbytery of Columbus.

Ministers received from other denominations—

November 12, 1897, Jacob N. Wagenhurst, from the Juniata Classis of the Reformed Church of the United States.

June 28, 1898, John G. Dunlop, from the Methodist Church of Canada.

Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries—

December 23, 1897, William Dayton Roberts, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

December 23, 1897 Herbert R. Rundall, to the Presbytery of Parkersburg.

March 7, 1898, Richard N. Toms to the Presbytery of Huntingdon.

April 20, 1898, J. A. Higgons to the Presbytery of Newark.

September 27, 1898. Leonard P. Davidson, to the Presbytery of Sequoya.

September 27, 1898. Albert Reid, to Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Minister dismissed to another denomination—

July 7, 1898, Thomas H. Medd, to the Presbytery of Winnipeg, the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

Ordinations—

November 17, 1897. Samuel W. Steckel.

July 7, 1898, Hugh B. McCrone.

Installations—

November 17, 1897, Samuel W. Steckel, as pastor of Pleasantville Church.

November 30, 1897, Jacob N. Wagenhurst, as pastor of Fairfield Church.

April 26, 1898, George L. Van Alen, as pastor of Blackwood Church.

May 5, 1898, George B. Van Dyke, as pastor of Hammonton First Church.

May 24, 1898, William H. Fishburn, D.D., as pastor of Camden First Church.

May 25, 1898, George L. Smith, as pastor of Elmer Church.

July 7, 1898, Hugh B. McCrone, as pastor of Logan Memorial Church.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

December 23, 1897, William Dayton Roberts and Camden First Church.

January 25, 1898, Frederic R. Brace, D.D., and Blackwood church.

January 25, 1898, Thomas Thompson and Elmer church.

April 20, 1898, J. A. Higgons and Ocean City church.

September 27, 1898, Edward Dillon and Woodbury church.

September 27, 1898, Albert Reid and Irving Avenue Church, Bridgeton.

Licentiate received on certificate—

June 28, 1898, Hugh B. McCrone, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

October 19, 1898, Josiah F. Stevenson, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Candidate received on certificate—

November 12, 1897, John M. Ferguson, from the Presbytery of Marion.

Candidate dismissed to another Presbytery—

April 20, 1898, Vincent P. Merrill, to the care of the Presbytery of Norfolk.

HENRY REEVES,
Stated Clerk.

Standing Rules of the Synod.

- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Tuesday of October, at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk, and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table, at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals. The Stated Clerk shall print in Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same, except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given

and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred dollars per annum; that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting.

COMMITTEES.

IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz. : Standing, Permanent and Special.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows :

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.

2. ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.

3. ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

5. ON NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

7. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, a Special Finance Committee, two members—one Minister and one

Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.

X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of the Boards.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows :

1. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS, eight members—one for each home Presbytery.

2. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, one member from the Presbytery of Corisco; the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Foreign Missions and one Ruling Elder, from each home Presbytery.

3. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, nine members—one for each Presbytery.

4. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.

5. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.

7. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

8. ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.

9. ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.
10. ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairmen of the Presbyterial Committees on Young People's Societies.
- XII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.
- XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.
- XIV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds to the Synod's Committee on Narrative, at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.
- XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.
- XVI.—The Committee on Systematic Benevolence shall co operate with the Stated Clerk and the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and securing speakers to address the Synod upon the subjects of Benevolence and Church Work, and the evening session of the second day of the meeting of Synod shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses by Secretaries of Boards or others.
- XVII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.
- XVIII.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.
- XIX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

Permanent Committees.

SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. FREDERIC R. BRACE, D.D.,	REV. EBEN B. COBB, D.D., <i>Chairman</i> ,
REV. ALFRED H. DASHIELL, D.D.,	REV. WM. W. HALLOWAY, JR., D.D.,
REV. J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,	REV. PHILO F. LEAVENS, D.D.,
REV. SAMUEL M. STUDDIFORD, D.D.,	REV. WILLIAM THOMSON.

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REV. R. HAMILL NASSAU, D.D.,	
REV. WILLIAM R. RICHARDS, D.D.,	ELDER EDWARD P. TENNEY,
REV. CHARLES HERR, D.D.,	ELDER CHARLES A. DE WITT,
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REV. HENRY R. HALL,	REV. WM. E. HONEYMAN,
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SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

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REV. JOHN C. CLYDE, D.D., REV. JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY,
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DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	PRESBYTERY.
June 21, 1870	Elizabeth, . .	*Rev. Jona. F. Stearns, D.D., .	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1870	Morristown, .	*Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 17, 1871	Bloomfield, .	Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., . .	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 15, 1872	Trenton, . . .	*Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 21, 1873	Washington,	*Rev. J. H. McIlvaine, D.D., . .	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1874	Camden, . . .	*Rev. J. M. McDonald, D.D., . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1875	Orange, . . .	Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 17, 1876	Elizabeth, . .	Rev. Thomas McCauley, . . .	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1877	Newark, . . .	Rev. E. Kempshall, D.D., . . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 15, 1878	Morristown, .	Rev. William Bannard, D.D., . .	West Jersey.
Oct. 21, 1879	Trenton, . . .	Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D., . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1880	Bridgeton, .	Rev. Charles E. Knox, D.D., . .	Newark
Oct. 18, 1881	Asbury Park,	*Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D., . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 17, 1882	Hackettstown	*Rev. Alfred Yeomans, D.D., . .	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 16, 1883	Orange, . . .	Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., . .	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1884	Elizabeth, . .	*Rev. Samuel M. Hamill, D.D., . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 20, 1885	Atlantic City,	Rev. Allen H. Brown,	West Jersey.
Oct. 18, 1886	Camden, . . .	Rev. William Thomson,	Newton.
Oct. 17, 1887	Asbury Park,	*Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D., . . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 15, 1888	Asbury Park,	Rev. K. P. Ketcham, D.D., . . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 21, 1889	Asbury Park,	*Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., . . .	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 20, 1890	Atlantic City,	Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., . . .	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1891	Long Branch,	Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D., . . .	Jersey City.
Oct. 18, 1892	Belvidere, . .	Rev. R. Hamill Nassau, D.D., . . .	Corisco
Oct. 17, 1893	Bridgeton, . .	Rev. S. M. Studdiford, D.D., . . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 16, 1894	Trenton, . . .	Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D., . . .	West Jersey.
Oct. 15, 1895	N. Brunswick,	Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D., . . .	Newton.
Oct. 27, 1896	Atlantic City,	Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., . .	Monmouth
Oct. 19, 1897	Plainfield, . .	Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., . . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 18, 1898	Asbury Park,	Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., . . .	Morris and Orange.

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- Abbott, Justin E., Bombay, India. J. C.
 Adams, James Bailie, Elwood. W. J.
 Addy, John G., Johnsonburg. Newt.
 Aikman, Robert, D. D., Madison. M. & O.
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 Ainslie, John A., Rochester, Minn. N. B.
 Allen, Lyman W., D. D., Newark. N'rk.
 Allen, William, Jr., Pennington. N. B.
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 Armstrong, Amzi L., Dutch Neck. N. B.
 Aughey, John H., Perth Amboy. Eliz.
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 Baldwin, Theodore A., Broussa, Turkey. N'rk
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 Bannard, William, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa. W. J.
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 Barnes, George G., Hamburg. Newt.
 Beach, Sylvester W., Bridgeton. W. J.
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 Beaumont, James B., Morristown. M. & O.
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 Butler, C. rlandt P., Riverton. Mon.
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 Campbell, Wm. I., Ringoes. N. B.
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 Clarke, John P., Hackensack. Newt.
 Clayton, Mark Guy, Perrineville. Mon.
 Cline, E. Clarke, Phillipburgh. Newt.
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 Freed, Joseph K., Franklin Furnace. Newt.
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 N. B.
- Grant, James E., Keyport. Mon.
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 Guenther, John U., Newark. N'rk.
- Haley, Charles T., D. D., Newark. N'rk.
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 Higgins, J. A., Newark. N'rk.
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- Hinsdale, Horace G., D. D., Lakewood. Mon.
 Hock, Carl T., Bloomfield. N'rk
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 Hodge, Edward B., D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.
 Mon.
- Hollifield, A. Nelson, D. D., Newark. N'rk.
 Hollinshed, William, Sparta. Newt.
 Honeyman, William E., Plainfield. Eliz.
 Hooper, Washington A., West Summit. M.
 & O.
- Hoops, Henry H., Newark. N'rk.
 Hoppaugh, William, Springfield. Eliz.
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- Ingram, George H., Trenton. N. B.
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- Jackson, Fred W., Jr., Jersey City. J. C.
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- Jessup, William, Beirut, Syria. N. B.
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 Kennedy, Phineas B., Asbury. Newt.
 Kern, John F., Orange. M. & O.
 Kerr, James R., Hopewell. N. B.
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